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COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.

THE NEW YEAR.

This number of the MONTHLY RECORD closes and opens eventful years in our Presbyterian annals. The past has witnessed the happy reunion of two of the largest branches of the Presbyterian family in the world. The conviction every where prevails that it was "the finger of God." The various Boards are re-adjusting themselves for larger work, and, we trust, for larger successes. 1870 points to abundant grounds for thanksgiving and joy.

Will the MONTHLY RECORD for 1871 fill her pages with the history of greater doings and endurings, greater efforts and successes for the salvation of our dear country and the world? *We hope so.* The state of the world is hopeful from its very agitations and revolutions, for they portend the time of "overturning," and the coming of "Him whose right it is."

Let the presbyteries, the churches, the ministers, the members, all gird their loins for the great work, to which they are called by Him, whose hands, once nailed to the cross, now open the gates of this new year to His people. May songs of thanksgiving and gladness attend their close.

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STARTING RIGHT.

In the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church it was a necessity that the Home Missionary work should pass into the hands of a new Board. No one in the new organization could be acquainted with the half of the missionaries or their fields of labour; hence, the necessity for full and accurate information concerning every application for aid became apparent at an early day. And, in the absence of such information, serious and vexatious delays have occurred in many cases. A list of

"Rules" or instructions has been adopted by the Board, and published in the October and November numbers of this magazine, for the benefit of all our ministers and churches.

All the Board desires, and all the rules demand, is to furnish the materials on which the Board can form an accurate judgment. *Let us have all the facts bearing on any case, and we will try to act promptly, intelligently, and impartially.*

1. We want to know the town and the county in which is the church making application. If, for instance, the letter be dated "Franklin," there is a town of Franklin in twenty-eight States and Territories. Besides, this may be none of them, but some new town on the frontier not yet found on any map. Give us the name of the county, too; so that if the name of the town be wanting, we may at least find the county; and, thereby, proximately learn the relation of the church to known or projected lines of railway and tides of population.

2. We need to know the population of the town, that we may estimate the price of house-rent and the cost of living. We need to know the number and names of the other evangelical denominations in the place and neighborhood, that we may estimate the spiritual necessities of the people, and the prospects for rapid growth, and early self-support. And we need to know the number of persons in the family of the missionary for whom aid is sought, that we may know why the Presbytery would make his salary either more or less than that of other missionaries in the same neighborhood or Presbytery.

3. We need to know the entire salary of the missionary. Frequently aid is asked by a church for the services of a missionary *half the time*, and nothing is said about his manner of spending the other half; or, what is his remuneration for the same. If a church raises eight hundred and fifty dollars per annum for its minister, and we are asked for one hundred and fifty dollars, if the amount raised by the people be not stated, we might be led to appropriate the one hundred and fifty dollars, but it would be doing injustice to others, because the whole sum, one thousand dollars, would be more than the salary of the most of our missionaries. But if half his time be given to a church that is self-sustaining and pays him six hundred dollars, and we are asked to give him two hundred and fifty dollars, to make five hundred dollars for the other half the time, we cannot act wisely or justly to others unless we know these facts, much less if half his time is spent as an Insurance Agent or carrying on a good farm. We need to be informed as to the entire salary of each applicant, and the sources from which it is to be derived.

4. We need to have before us, and to put on file, the original application of the church together with the endorsement of the Presbytery or the Presbyterian Committee. The Stated Clerk sometimes sends us his certificate that the Presbytery at its late meeting considered the applications from such and such churches, giving their names, and adding that they were recommended to us for aid in given specified amounts. This is

very unsatisfactory. We need and we are thankful for the judgment and the endorsement of the Presbytery. But *we also need* all the facts on which they based their judgment. The intention of the Assembly is that the facts in every case, and the judgment of the Presbytery also, are to be submitted to us, for we have to weigh the judgment of every Presbytery against all the others.

Let then the application, in every case, be made in writing and signed by the proper officers; let the opinion of the Presbytery on the case be added, and let all them be forwarded to us.

But there is then needed a Presbyterian Committee, *ad interim*, who can act on any application that may come up between the regular meetings of the Presbytery; and frequently a committee of three, acting more deliberately than they could do in the hurry of Presbyterian business, will also act more freely and more wisely.

We are frequently asked why we do not furnish blank applications to be filled up by churches needing aid. We fear such a plan would fail to embrace all the important and material facts in many cases. All applications have some things in common, but nearly every one has some peculiar claim to our consideration, on which, perhaps, the whole plea turns, which would not be common to others, but which it is better to write out in full and transmit to our Board. Give us all the facts about every case, and, according to the wisdom God has given us, and the means the churches furnish, we will distribute to every man severally as he has need.

Finally, if the writers would not overtax the patience and eyesight of the readers, let them remember to write their applications in a plain bold hand.

Authors, and ministers, and others who write much, at length often come to write badly, and then if they write with ink that has been frozen, or reduced by many additions of water, is it any marvel if their requests are not speedily granted?

In thus attempting to show the importance of our Rules, and the eminent propriety and necessity of adopting them, we hope we have not only secured a new perusal of them, when at hand; but would also give notice that we can furnish them to any who need them, on application to either of the Secretaries of the Board; at least we hope to leave the impression on the minds of all our readers, that we must have—that we cannot act without—all the facts in every case that are necessary to form an honest and accurate judgment on the same.

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#### REPORT FROM WISCONSIN.

My fifth year at S. is about closing. At the end of every quarter I am tempted not to review the three preceding months merely, but the entire period I have spent here. It is pleasant to note the progress in this and that and

the other. I cannot speak of great things as accomplished here in the past five years, for we have had but a small population to work on, and yet it can truly be said that *in proportion to our population*, and to *the obstacles to be overcome*, the Presbyterian church of



S. has done a good work in that time. She has quadrupled her membership, trebled the evening congregation, doubled the morning congregation, greatly increased her liberality, and secured a foothold in S—— that is confessedly first and strongest. It is true the figures underlying the above statements seem small, but in all cases the true figures do not appear. Those dismissed to other churches are not reported. Those converted, who have gone to other places, are not reported. And few who read the figures are aware how great a comparative success is represented by them. In a certain report you read, "two members received." One of them is a lady of influence and means. She has a large family that immediately comes under Christian influence. She takes a class in Sabbath-school. She labors with an abandoned woman till that soul is plucked as a brand from the burning. She is ever ready to help a soul heavenward.

In another report you read, "one received on profession." He, too, is the head of a large family. He establishes family prayer and household religion. He always has a word and a prayer in the prayer-meeting. He labors in business hours, or on the street to lead men to Christ. He becomes a great stay and support to the pastor in every good word and work, and often deals with the souls of his old companions in sin, whom his pastor can do little with. But they listen as their once boon companion tells them why he gave up the saloon, and the dance, and the card-table for the love of Christ and the gospel hope.

In another report you read, "one received on profession, a young man of promise." That young man studies for the ministry. While yet at home he has scores of names on his list, for whom he is praying, and to whom he talks. He does not cross out a name till he hears of a conversion. He goes to college, and while marked high in

all his studies, is marked higher in the Christian life. He labors and prays with impenitent fellow students. He is always at the daily and weekly prayer-meetings ready to work. He has a Sabbath-school four miles in the country. He assists an experienced Christian lady in maintaining a mission service every Monday night in town. He labors for souls in the hot summer term and in vacations. Is it not worth while to have such conversions? Will not a few who labor thus for Christ exert a greater Christian and saving influence, than the hundreds who, after making a profession and swelling the numbers of the church, sink back into an idle, lethargic Christianity; perchance dancing and toying life away in sinful conformity with the world about them?"

#### REPORT FROM KENTUCKY.

I herewith send final—the fourth—report of work in connection with Mission Chapel of First Presbyterian church in this city, for the year ending November 18th, 1870. Since the last report the church has adopted weekly systematic benevolence for contingent expenses, and the various Boards of the church; and, also, weekly voluntary payments towards my support. The salary has thus been increased from twelve hundred and fifty, to over eighteen hundred dollars—at present rates of offerings which increase weekly. Therefore, I am requested to inform the Board of Home Missions, that the coming amount due, on quarter ending the 18th of this month, November, will be the final application for their aid, towards support of the gospel here. We have received into our communion during the year just ended, fifty-two persons on profession of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, more than half of that number being young and middle-aged men. The Master hath done great things for this people, who, in large part, are watching unto prayer.

Our Southern brethren insisted on



and did *accomplish* a division of the Church. But the wrath of man has praised God.

If they thought to leave the Assembly Church dead, they were as much mistaken as were the Jews and heathen at Lystra, who left our Christ-loving Paul without the city "*supposing he had been dead*." Howbeit, as the disciples *stood* round about him, *he rose up.*"

It has been a resurrection year in this honored church, that has witnessed the labors of such Christ-servers as Edgar, Breckenridge, Grundy, and McClung.

Please accept my personal thanks for the promptness with which remittances have been sent heretofore.

I remain truly yours,

G. M. McC.

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#### IOWA.

*Rev. and Dear Brother:*—By the time this reaches you the labors of another quarter will be nearly ended. During the last three months I have met with considerable encouragement. On the 24th of July we organized a church at A——, which is one part of my field, with twelve members, most of which will, I trust, be active and efficient workers. We hope to receive a few others soon. We have just contracted for a church building at A——, which will cost about two thousand one hundred dollars, and the work will likely be commenced this week. We hope to have the building enclosed and ready to be occupied this season.

At this place we are still laboring under many discouragements. However we have received a few additions to our church by letter, and we hope to have a building soon. I am now trying to secure a church-lot from the town company, and as soon as it is given, and I am quite confident of getting it, we will likely make a contract to have a building erected that

will cost about two thousand dollars. If we can only succeed in getting a church building we will be securely established here.

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#### HOW A CHURCH IS RAISED UP AT THE WEST.

A Missionary in Nebraska writes as follows. At the first, the people came to the Railroad for me, a distance of twenty-five miles, and then would bring me back again after the Sabbath. This was done several times, making a journey of one hundred miles to get me to and from my appointments. At the time of the organization we met in a little room about sixteen feet square. It had neither doors nor windows, and was only in fact weather-boarded but in part. It was a cold windy day and this was the only place where we could be accommodated with a room in all that community. Our services were necessarily lengthy, but as I was encased in a good warm overcoat well buttoned and was constantly exercising in speaking, I kept from suffering. But how the people could endure it I am unable to say. They did bear it, however, bravely and without serious damage.

When the weather became a little warmer we held our services under some large elms on the banks of the Nemaha creek or river. The Missionary went there about a year ago and at once began to agitate the subject of building a church. At first, however, he had to build a roof to cover his own head. One of the brethren shared his own rude dwelling with him in the meantime for three or four weeks. Finally with hard work and many discouragements the little house was so far completed as to afford them a partial covering and shelter from the approaching winter. They occupied it for a dwelling and at the same time for a church during the winter, and this spring went on with the church building. It looked like an almost hopeless task for so few and so poor a little band to undertake

the work of building a church. Most of them lived in little houses—some of them quite rude and uncomfortable. They were compelled to wear their old clothes—ladies with hats and bonnets several years behind the fashions, and men with their old soldier overcoats that they wore years before on the battlefield.

But they *needed a church*, and in the face of all the discouragements *they determined to have it*. They raised on the field what they could, and then applied to and obtained from the Board of Church Election five hundred dollars. Never was there a gift more worthily bestowed or more thankfully received. I cannot speak too highly of the self-denying labors of the pastor in accomplishing this work. He has toiled night and day, working with his own hands and with his own team to supplement his meager salary and to get a shelter for his family and a place of worship completed. He still lives in an unfinished and uncomfortable little place hardly worthy of the name of a house, but the church is finished and dedicated. There is another that deserves honorable mention. I refer to one of the elders. The other elder is

too aged and infirm to do much except by his subscription and his prayers and counsels. But the first mentioned elder has a family of six children to support. He has plenty of land, but as yet it is new and unproductive, and he lives in a small uncomfortable house on a very small income, and in the most economical way. The burden of church building has fallen chiefly upon him. Last spring he planted his corn, and as he had no help, not a plow nor a hoe has been put into it from that day to this. He has studied and planned and economized in every way to accomplish the grand end in view, the completion of the church. He and his family have worn their old threadbare, out-of-date clothes, and every available cent has been put into the church. Twelve times, I think it is, he has gone to Nebraska city, twenty-five miles distant, for material for the Lord's house, carrying his own provisions with him, and sleeping under his wagon on the damp ground, and sometimes in the rain. If God rewards the giving of a cup of cold water, I am sure such self-denial and such labor will not be forgotten.

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*Pby of Austin*—Austin ch 22 00  
*Pby of Allegheny*—North ch, Allegheny City 340 00  
*Pby of Benicia*—Napa ch 25 00  
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*Pby of Blairville*—Johnstown ch 75; Blairville ch 93; New Alexandria ch 161 70, of which Sab-seh 13 323 70  
*Pby of Buffalo*—Westminster ch, from O Gridley 5; Clarence ch 11 15 16 15

*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, A Hazen 5; Lafayette Ave ch, Brooklyn, in part 2045 58, of which mon con 48 08; Edgewater 1st ch 105 46; Brooklyn 2d ch 249 67 2405 71  
*Pby of Bloomington*—Atlanta ch 13; Paxton ch 7; Bloomington 1st ch 45; Chenoa ch 21 15; Champaign 1st ch 80 70; Normal ch 25 191 85  
*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Marseilles ch 10; Crestline ch 5 50; Bucyrus 1st ch 63 50; Bellefontaine 1st ch 37 18 116 18  
*Pby of Boston*—Newburyport 2d ch 10 00  
*Pby of Chillicothe*—Plymouth ch 10; Fall Creek ch, in part 3 50; Pisgah ch 25; Union ch 8 40; Hillsboro' ch 220 266 90  
*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Terre Haute 2d ch 19; Rockville 1st ch 15 82; Bethany ch 22; Eugene ch 5; Lexington ch 21 10; Clinton ch 12; Plymouth ch 9; Crawfordsville 1st ch 16 50 120 42  
*Pby of Colorado*—Corinne ch 23 30  
*Pby of Chester*—Lower Brandywine ch and Sab-seh 50; Oxford ch 185 70 235 70  
*Pby of Cincinnati*—Montgomery ch 23 16; 5th ch Cincinnati 31 70; Somerset ch 9 21; Lebanon 1st ch 60; Cincinnati 2d Ger ch 10; Goshen ch 22; Pleasant Run ch 33 189 07  
*Pby of Cedar*—Linn Grove ch 36 62

<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —New Lebanon ch 14 50; Centre-ville ch 6 18; Durham 2d ch 26 20	46 88
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Richview ch 34; Pisgah ch 10; Richland ch 15; Hermon ch 5; Salem ch 10 70; Olney ch 17 40; Goleonda ch 6	98 10
<i>Pby of Colwater</i> —Sturgis ch	19 40
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Harrisburg 7th St ch 30; Gettysburg ch 58 61; Paxton ch 72; Middle Spring ch 136 75	297 36
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Linn and Hebron chs 20; Kan-ka-kee 1st ch 21 20; Eighth ch 8 20; Chicago 2d ch, in part 350; Manteno ch 5	404 40
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Anamosa ch 2; Marion ch 22 43; Snioh ch 5	29 43
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Clarion 1st ch 40 35; New Rehoboth ch 42 85	83 20
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Port Byron ch	41 47
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Burdett ch	21 00
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Blendon ch, add'l, 14; Hoge ch 24 20; Central ch, Circleville 71 40	109 60
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Essex ch	18 55
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Springfield 2d ch, in part 100; New Jersey ch 23; Piqua 2d ch 20; Yellow Springs 1st ch 17; Piqua 1st ch 50	210 00
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Detroit 1st ch 600 63, of which J S Farrand 125; Mt Clemens ch 33; Holly ch 32 96; Saline ch 22 35	688 94
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Woodburn ch 12; Dinsmore 1st ch 18; Corydon 1st ch 7	37 00
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Lansing ch 10; Bellevue ch 5; Lime Springs ch 6 40	21 40
<i>Pby of Emporia</i> —Emporia 1st ch	17 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Meadville 1st ch 75; Corry ch 30; Girard ch 15 07	120 67
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Elizabeth 1st ch 600 42; Plainfield 1st ch 51; Port Elizabeth ch 44	695 42
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Rockford 1st ch 75; Fulton St ch, Peoria Sab-sch 56; Lena ch 13; Queen Ann Ger ch 3; Harvard ch 6; Freeport 1st ch 64 05; Warren 1st ch 18; Galena 1st ch 81 07	316 12
<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Clarks-ville ch 12; Fort Dodge ch 20 81	32 81
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Hopewell ch, from O Babcock	5 00
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Portageville ch 58, of which 30 memorial; Bath ch 30; Warsaw ch 52 15; Orangeville ch 25; Byron ch 40	205 15
<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Westminster, Grand Rapids ch	52 53
<i>Pby of Huntington</i> —Altoona 2d ch 133 60; Pine Grove ch 16 60; Moshannon ch 1 12; Snow Shoe ch 2 78; Milesburg ch 16 10; Shade Gap ch 10; Spruce Creek ch 246 07; Hollidaysburg ch 27 60; Bedford ch 70; Alexandria ch Sab-sch 40 (memorial); Waynesburg ch 22 20	586 07
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Monroeville ch 10; Peru ch 12 15; Olenah ch 18 30; Plymouth ch 15	55 45
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Holton ch	7 20
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Cochecton ch 7; Florida ch mon col 6; Ramapo ch 32 64; White Lake ch 8 20; Hopewell ch 68, of which Sab-sch 16 16; Goshen ch 74 40; Washingtonville 1st ch 16 06	212 30
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Mechanicsville ch 12 63; Davenport 1st ch 22 17; Deep River ch 15; Fairfax ch 2 60; Fulton ch 5	57 45
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Ottawa ch 7; Mt Pleasant Ger ch 9; Bloomfield ch 9 50; Fanfield ch 14 75	40 25
<i>Pby of Illinois</i> —Decatur ch	23 00
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Indianapolis 7th ch 15; Boxley ch 5; Southport ch 10 50; Union ch 13 35; Hopewell ch 26 23; Carpenter-ville ch 5 25; Shiloh ch 2; New Pisgah ch 5 25; Indianapolis 5th ch 11	93 53
<i>Pby of Ithaca</i> —Mecklenburg ch 10; Ithaca ch 17 02	27 02
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Claremont ch	70 00
<i>Pby of Kingston</i> —Bethel ch, Kingston	20 00
<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Maple Grove ch	11 50
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Cherry Tree ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Lansing</i> —North Star ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Newton ch 10; Wilkesbarre ch, add'l, 200; Kingston ch, add'l, 38 30, of which Sab-sch 3 63; Wyalusing ch 16; Herriek ch 4; Montrose ch 17; Nicholson ch 14 86; Canton ch 34, of which Sab-sch 2; Abington ch 23; Meshoppen and Mehoopany chs 10 359 16	
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Bethlehem ch 30; Rev W E Honeyman 10	40 09
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Turo ch 7 55; Rockport ch 2 05; Sidney 1st ch 26; Lima Central ch 12	47 60
<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Ontario ch 10; Sodus ch 7	17 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Islip ch 13 65; Setauket ch 18	31 65
<i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Sumner ch	4 50
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Marion ch 40; Radnor ch 6; Marysville ch 19; Mt Gilead ch 34; Liberty ch 14 50; York ch 12 50	126 00
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Port Washington ch 8 12; Tennent ch 200; Bordentown ch 7 25; Manchester ch 25; Jamesburg ch 75; Mt Holly ch 65	380 37
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —South St ch, Morris-town, add'l, 50, from Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 800 = 850; Morristown 1st ch, quarterly col 170 08; Mendham 1st ch 75 23	1095 36
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Blissfield 1st ch 7 10; Monroe ch, from H H Boyd 50	57 10
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Helena ch 25; Salem and Falls City chs 5	30 00
<i>Pby of Maunee</i> —West Bethesda ch 6; Toledo 1st ch 10; Defiance ch 15; Delta ch 6 50; Westminster ch, Toledo 145 75; Toledo 2d ch 2; Mt Salem ch 17; Bowling Green ch 23 34	225 59
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —North ch, Milwaukee	55 50
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Union City ch 15 19; Hartford ch 3	18 19
<i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Hebron ch	8 03
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Ch of the Covenant, in part 1690 69; Madison Square ch, from Z S Ely, Esq, a balance 509; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, from Lucius Hopkins, Esq 500 (memorial); Scotch ch, in part 546; Harlem ch 23 68; Washington Heights ch 141 80; Third Ave ch Miss'y Chapel and Sab-sch 250; Thirteenth St ch, Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 250; Murray Hill ch 128 39; West ch, from Edward Anthony, Esq 25	4055 56
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Cornwall 1st ch, an individual 10; New Hamburg ch 17; Malden ch 25 20; Newburg Union ch 125; Westminster ch, Salt Point 28 87; Rondout ch 230; Amenia ch 68	524 07
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Wilson ch Sab-sch 26; Somerset ch 30 10	56 10
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Madison 1st ch 142 80; New Washington ch 12 75; Mount Vernon ch 5 53; Walnut St ch Bloomington 100	261 10
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Geneva ch 10; Rev S T McClure, "a mite," 50 cts	10 50
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Hempstead ch	17 42
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Newark 2d ch, Young People's Miss'y Soc'y, 100; Newark 1st ch, H M Miss'y Ass'n 80	180 00
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Amwell 1st ch 24; Phillipsburg ch 40; Amwell United 1st ch 25 51; Danville ch 13; Deckertown ch 47 50	150 01
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Mifflinsburg ch 16 50; Mahoning ch 94 61, of which Sab-sch 36 26; Washingtonville ch 12	123 11
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 4th ch 106; Trenton 2d ch 20; Trenton 1st ch 500; Milford ch 18 75; Holland ch 10; Dutch Neck ch 60; Lawrence ch 200 20	914 95
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Green Hill ch 50, of which Sab-sch 18 30; New Castle ch 183 10	233 10
<i>Pby of New Orleans</i> —Second Ger ch, N O	16 50
<i>Pby of Osage</i> —Greenwood ch 18; Smithtown ch	



5 75; Otterville ch 4 25; Warrensburg ch 18 50; Kansas City 3d ch 5 15 51 65  
*Pby of Otsego*—Exeter ch 7 50; Fly Creek ch 10; Coventry 2d ch 73 60 96 10  
*Pby of Ottawa*—Ottawa 1st ch 13 90; Elgin ch 24, of which Sab-seh 18; Somonauk ch 1; Waltham ch 40 50; Wyoming ch 4; Farm Ridge ch 43 80 127 23  
*Pby of Peoria*—Eureka ch 8 21; Delaware ch 39 40; French Grove ch 10; Yates City ch 11; Ipaava ch 20 88 61  
*Pby of Portsmouth*—Manchester ch 5 56; Gallipolis 1st ch Sab-seh 20; Portsmouth ch, from Miss Julia C Griswold 100; Eckmansville ch 20 145 56  
*Pby of Philadelphia*—Second ch 151; Tenth ch, in part 700 851 00  
*Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Princeton ch, West Phila 647 35; West Arch St ch 67 85; Kensington ch 200; Cohocksink ch 394 82; Green Hill ch 96 50 1406 52  
*Pby of Philadelphia North*—Norristown 1st ch 50; Port Kennedy ch 47 40; Solebury ch 14; Conshohocken ch 13; Germantown 1st ch 420; Huntingdon Valley ch 12 50 556 90  
*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Bellefield ch 68 95; Pittsburgh 3d ch, in part 70; Pittsburgh 1st ch, in part 425; Shady Side ch, Pittsburgh 219 85; Swissvale ch 51 834 80  
*Pby of Platte*—Maryville ch 19 60  
*Pby of Palmyra*—Newark ch 12; Edina ch 9; Bellevue ch 4; St Francisville ch 3 50 28 50  
*Pby of Rochester*—Genesee 1st ch 46 71; Sparta 2d ch 20; Groveland ch 17 83 71  
*Pby of Rock River*—Andover ch 5; Winnebago ch 7; Arlington ch 5; Eddington ch 14 50; Pleasant Ridge ch 5 50 37 00  
*Pby of Steubenville*—Bethel ch 19 28; Salineville ch 5 72; Ridge ch 26 51 00  
*Pby of Saginaw*—Taymouth ch 10 00  
*Pby of San Jose*—Alameda ch 21; Santa Clara ch 17 38 00  
*Pby of St Paul*—Taylor's Falls ch 16 25; Belle Plain ch 20; Central ch, St Paul 49 83 77 03  
*Pby of St Clairsville*—Washington ch 40; Grandview ch, add'l 9 30; Pipe Creek ch, from Mrs Lockwood 2; Morristown ch 15 25; Rock Hill ch 23; Mt Pleasant ch 35 42 126 97  
*Pby of St Louis*—Webster's Grove ch 67 85; St James ch 4 10; North ch 40 111 95  
*Pby of Shenango*—Hermon ch 50; Slippery Rock ch Sab-seh 1 51 00  
*Pby of Syracuse*—Park Central ch, Syracuse 220; Constantia ch 10 71 230 71  
*Pby of Schuyler*—Mt Pleasant ch 3 50; Liberty ch 3; Quincy 1st ch, from F S Giddings 225; Good Hope ch 8 35; Shiloh ch 3 65; Monmouth ch 62 15; Ebenezer ch 19 324 65  
*Pby of Springfield*—Winchester ch 35; Irish Grove ch 6; North Sangamon ch 65 41, of which Sab-seh 28 11; Virginia ch 12 118 41  
*Pby of Saline*—Equality ch 5 65; Harrisburg ch 4 35 10 00  
*Pby of Sangamon*—Farmington ch 14 75  
*Synod of Ohio*—A Balance 8 47  
*Synod of Indiana, South*—Synodical Coll'n 56 35  
*Pby of St Lawrence*—Henvelton ch 11; Watertown 1st ch 180; Waddington ch 26 06; Oswegatchie 2d ch 21 238 06  
*Pby of Salem*—Seymour ch 14 07  
*Pby of Troy*—Woodside ch, Troy 13; Troy 9th ch 16; Malta ch 5 34 00  
*Pby of Topeka*—Grantville ch 10 70; Wamego ch 13; Topeka 1st ch 65 88 70  
*Pby of Vincennes*—Walnut St ch, Evansville 242 80; Princeton ch 22; Terre Haute 1st ch 12 276 80  
*Pby of West Virginia*—Clarksburg ch 11, of which Sab-seh 22; Morgantown ch 14 69 25 69

*Pby of Wooster*—Jeromeville ch 16; West Salem ch 5 80; McKay ch 16; Ashland ch 54 41, of which 4 41, the dying bequest of Miss Hattie Anderson; Millersburg ch 11 56; Shreve ch 10; Holmesville ch 15; Martinsburg ch 16 05; Mt Pleasant ch 4 148 82  
*Pby of Washington City*—Sixth ch, Washington Missy Socy 25; Bridge St ch, Georgetown Juv Missy Socy 75; Alexandria 1st ch 25; New York Ave ch, from R A Stribling U S N 100 225 00  
*Pby of Waterloo*—West Irving ch 3 25; Waverly ch 5; Vinton 2d ch 15 23 25  
*Pby of Winnipeg*—Stockbridge ch 3; Weyanwega ch 5 25; De Pere ch 10 90; Omro ch 26 25; Cambria ch 8 53 40  
*Pby of West Chester*—Port Chester ch 30; West Farms ch 10 05; Hartford 1st ch 141, of which 1 41 from Willie A and Sam'l R Hyde; Bedford ch 64; Yonkers 1st ch, mon coll 45 62; Thompsonville 1st ch 65 355 67  
*Pby of Westminster*—Stateville ch 31; Pequea ch 74 35; Bellevue ch 26 06 131 41  
*Pby of Winona*—Owatonna 1st ch 23; Red Wing 1st ch 30 86; Winona 1st ch 8 42 62 28  
*Pby of West Jersey*—Pittsgrove ch 100; Tom's River ch 22; Cedarville 1st ch, Fem Missy Socy 14 50; Fislerville ch 46 95; West ch, Bridgeton 40 27; Vineland 1st ch 5 10; Camden 2d ch 44 50; Bridgeton 2d ch 32 45 305 77  
*Pby of Washington*—Forks of Wheeling ch 300; Fairview ch 6 60; Claysville ch 75; Wheeling 4th ch 18 50 400 10  
*Pby of White Water*—Knightstown ch 7 00  
*Pby of Zanesville*—Oakfield ch 3; Waterford ch 2 81; Decatur ch 5; Coshocton ch 51; Norwich and Pleasant Hill chs 22 83 80

Total received from churches, \$8,342 29

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Aaron Gregg, dec'd, late of Delphi, Ind 1900, less exp's 2 = 998; Estate of Rev Miles P Squier, D.D., dec'd, Geneva, N Y 250 add'l 1278 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Six months interest and premium on Permanent Fund, "Hungerford Estate" 293 37; Mrs Eleanor McMillan, College Hill, Ohio 50; Religious Con Socy of Princeton Theo Sem'y 104 50; Rev L Marshall, Leland, Ill. (Memorial) 10; Rev Ansel R Clark, Huntingdon, Ohio 5; Isaac R Smith, Phila 100; A Presbyterian Lady, N Y 2; Geo Burlingame, Marietta, Ohio 5; Mrs Rev J J Buck, Barrytown, N Y 10; "Itinerant," N J 50; F E M. Chilloothie, Ohio 10; Mrs Mary S Rice, Clinton, Mo 5; An Aged Widow of the Presbyterian ch 310 61; S W Brewster, Hannibal, N Y 25; A Chapman, Alquina, Ind 5; Rev J M Hunting, Jr., 2 50; "Hope," Carlisle, Pa 5; Simon Lucas, Courtland, N Y, a thank-offering 25; A Friend, N Y 50; J H T 50; M K Platt, Plattsburg, N Y 25; "A Widow indeed," Ohio 60; M H Foley, Patterson, Pa 10; Mrs Ann E F Smith, Saratoga, N Y 50; Mrs Jeremiah Miller, Phila, Pa 10; Mrs Elizabeth Taylor, Cleveland, Ohio 200; Mary 2 1474 98

Total in November, \$31,095 27

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

The land whither ye go to possess it is a land which the Lord thy God careth for: the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way: when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.—DEUT. xi.

## HISTORY OF THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The history of the Week of Prayer is deeply, and in some respects painfully, interesting. In 1857 one of the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church met at Cleveland, Ohio, presided over by Dr. Samuel W. Fisher, whose influence has been so strongly felt in the acts which have brought the two branches of the Church into one; the other at Lexington, Kentucky, with the sainted Cortlandt Van Rensselaer as its Moderator. The narrative of that year, signed by him, says it "was a year of more than usual and general progress, and that of such a nature as to involve enlarged preparations for the work of the future." Its conclusion says that, like her great Head and Exemplar, the Church "must wear herself out in teaching men the *given word of God*, in healing the diseases and soothing the sorrows of humanity, and in giving her own blood as a living sacrifice for the redemption of the world."

The summer was one in which the tide of the river of life seemed to rise in many portions of our land. The spirit of prayer abounded. In September the Fulton Street daily prayer-meeting in New York was commenced, which has not ceased till this time. In December a great convention of ministers for prayer was held in Pittsburgh. A mighty revival of religion began, which swept over the whole Christian world; one of the most powerful of this age. In Great Britain, particularly in Ireland, it formed an era in the history of some portions of the Church. It raised up numerous men, such as Weaver, North, Gordon, Lewis, and others whose labors have been followed by continued ingatherings of immortal souls. And one of its most interesting features was the conversion of many officers of the army and navy, whose influence has been loyal, bold and far-reaching for the kingdom of Jesus Christ, amidst all ranks of society at home, and wherever the British flag has carried them in all the colonies of that empire. The effects of the general revival of religion in Great Britain have been very great. A recent letter from there says: "There is much irreligion in the land, and it manifests itself in crime, as well as in widespread intemperance and impurity. Nevertheless, I have the firm conviction that never, in the United Kingdom, were there at any former period such a number of real disciples of Christ—of true-hearted and loyal subjects of the Great King."

The missionaries of American and European churches in heathen lands were deeply moved by the tidings of the wonders which God was working at home. In India the land was red and smoking with the fresh blood of the terrible Sepoy Rebellion. Breaking out at Berhampoor in February, 1857, it was nearly two years and a half before a general thanksgiving could be offered for peace. The summer of 1858 witnessed the awful massacre of our missionaries at Cawnpore. It was at our Synod of Lodianna in that year that the Rev. Dr. John H. Morrison,

in the agony of spirit which then moved the brethren, and hearing of the wonders which was performing in Christian lands, presented a paper, that was adopted by the Synod, which invited the whole Christian world to join in a week of special prayer, "the second week in January, 1860," "that God would now pour out His spirit upon all flesh, so that all the ends of the earth might see His salvation." It resolved "that all God's people, of every name and nation, of every continent and island, be cordially and earnestly invited to unite with us in a similar observance of that time." The eyes of the civilized world were fixed upon India at that time, in most anxious suspense as to the issue of the death struggle between heathenism and Christianity. The suggestion was caught up in every Christian nation. The wonderful results in India, the answers of a prayer-hearing God, it is not in place here to record. Much less can we attempt to trace the blessings which have been bestowed in answer to these requests in a hundred other great missionary fields of the globe.

Again the voice which came from bleeding and horror-stricken India, which was echoed from China, at that same time convulsed with the second cruel Opium War, which was swelled by supplications from numerous other scenes of conflict and suffering, amidst the great tribulations of which Christian heralds were preaching the gospel of the kingdom for a witness unto all nations, comes to us asking that we join in another week of special prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all flesh. With what amazing acceleration of speed do we witness the advance of "the kingdom!" What has the last year wrought! What a week of believing, confident, urgent prayer this should be! What a week of new consecration of body and spirit, of property and influence, of sons and daughters, of all we are and possess and control, to the service of this majestic, triumphant, gracious King!

The Board of Education is vitally interested in every prayer that beseeches the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into his harvest, all whose fields are so white and ready for the sickle. But it would specially invite attention to the topics of supplication appointed for WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5TH: "*For the conversion of children; for Sunday schools, and all seminaries of learning; and for the raising up of more laborers in Christ's service.*" And may the Divine Redeemer be present with the meetings of that day, to hear the prayers offered in His name, and with great power to answer them.

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#### CHANGE IN THE DAY OF PRAYER FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

Let us hope this year for a more general and fervent union of Christians than has ever before been seen in prayer for the schools and colleges of this Christian land, and for similar institutions throughout the world. It is nearly fifty years since the last Thursday of February has been observed as an occasion when Christians of various names and localities might join in common supplication for the bestowment of the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon these fountains of learning. God has bowed his ear to hear, and many revivals of religion have been granted to institutions where before the heavens had been as brass and the earth iron. With the hope to make the day more universally acceptable and efficacious as to the ends in view, the last General Assembly determined to recommend that this year the day of its observance be changed from the last Thursday of February to the *last Thursday of January*, making it just one month earlier. There are some good reasons for the change.

It is important to bring this season of prayer into closer connection with the



Week of Prayer for the conversion of the world at the opening of the year, and, when the hearts of Christians have been warmed, to engage them in special entreaties for the conversion of the youth, in whose consecration of life and talents and property we possess the chief earthly hope of the attainment of the great consummation.

It better promotes the designs of the day to appoint it earlier in the sessions of the schools and colleges, when the minds of students are more fresh, and there is better opportunity to mature the interest which may be implanted, previous to the close of the term.

The observance of the day in January prevents the frequent interference of the national holiday on the 22d of February, or of preparations for it, with the spirit or acts of the occasion.

With the first month of the new year, and with the renewal of our vows to God, accompanied in many churches about that period by the seal of its first sacrament, let us bring particularly the sons and daughters whom God has given us before Him for a special blessing upon them; and pray that He would, in this day of His power, make them instruments of good to mankind, and accept many of these sons as official ambassadors of his grace to a world at enmity with him.

This day of extraordinary prayer for the educational institutions of the Church ought to include the Board of Education, its six hundred candidates for the ministry, its officers, members, and co-workers in the Church; that God would make this great arm of the Church a means of furnishing his cause with an army of holy, devoted, laborious preachers of salvation, who shall be willing to go to the ends of the earth and rest not until righteousness and praise spring forth before all the nations.

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### SHALL WE KEEP OUR FLAGS FLYING?

It will be remembered that at the close of October, in view of the Board still wanting eleven thousand dollars to make the payments due to students, a circular was addressed to churches which had made no collections during the previous year, and to benevolent friends of the cause. At the same time earnest prayer was made to God that He would inspire in the hearts of his people a hearty and efficient interest in it. It is with gratitude that we state that by the close of November every dollar needed had been paid or provided for, so that it was not necessary to put the Church to shame by borrowing money from a bank in order to fulfil her covenant with her sons. Friends came cordially to our help. One gentleman sent us a check for a thousand dollars.

With the beginning of January another payment, for which more than twenty thousand dollars is needed, is due. *How is it to be met?* The treasury is clean empty. The Board cannot make a general appeal to the Church. It cannot, and it emphatically would not, disturb the order of the collection of those congregations which systematically present in their turn the round of the Church's claims for her various great organs of usefulness. But it may, without untimely interference with others, beg the sympathy and help of two classes of contributors—*first*, the congregations which have given nothing for one, two, or more years; many of which have pursued no regular system of contributing, and it may be are weak, but whose small sums would swell in the aggregate to a very large one; *second*, the individual church members, who with a little more love to Christ, a little more loyalty to his kingdom in its conflicts with a world of sin, a little more regard for the young men who are struggling to qualify themselves for the

arduous and self-denying work of preachers of the gospel, and a little more willingness to deny themselves for the sake of doing good in Christ's name, might easily send us larger or smaller sums of money. These contributions, like those of a thousand unsealed springs among the hills, after a rain, would join to lift our vessel off the gravel on which she is grinding and straining herself, and enable us to keep our flags flying, and with joyful shouts and cheers keep on the course, the punctuality and faithfulness of which is so important to many who are waiting upon us for supplies.

### TO EDUCATION COMMITTEES.

The Secretary of the Board is now sending to the Education Committee of each Presbytery a list of the names of the candidates for the ministry whose recommendations have been renewed, and to whom therefore the Board is authorized to grant aid; and with it a list of any whose names appear upon the last year's rolls of the former Permanent Committee or Board, but whose renewals have not been received at this office. Some of these young men are anxiously waiting the action of the Presbyteries, or their Education Committees, which have the authority of the General Assembly to act in the interim of their meetings, in order to receive appropriations. The care of the Presbyteries should be exercised over others, who may be spending the year in teaching, or may be in ill health, or may need counsel, or admonition, or encouragement. These "sons of the prophets" deserve the hearty and constant interest of the brethren to whose fidelity the Presbytery and, more remotely, the General Assembly has committed them. The Board desires to receive, as soon as convenient, from the Education Committees, information with regard to every individual.

### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

<i>Phy of Alton</i> —Carrollton ch 2; 1st ch, Alton, per "Little Banks" Sub-sch 11 21	13 21	<i>Phy of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch 10; Bethesda ch 10; Anapolis ch 12	32 00
<i>Phy of Albany</i> —First ch, Albany 84; 4th ch, Albany 200	284 00	<i>Phy of Steuben</i> —Naples ch 5; Painted Post ch 5	10 00
<i>Phy of Allegheny</i> —Sunbury ch 8; Pleasant Valley ch 8 55	16 55	<i>Phy of Springfield</i> —First ch, Springfield 80 47	
<i>Phy of Brooklyn</i> —La Fayette Ave ch, Brooklyn 443 14; Ross St ch 22 41	465 55	<i>Phy of Shenango</i> —Slippery Rock Sub-sch 1 26	
<i>Phy of Binghamton</i> —Owego ch 77 53		<i>Phy of Topeka</i> —Holton ch 1 45	
<i>Phy of Chester</i> —Waynesburg ch, add'l 22 13		<i>Phy of Utica</i> —Rome ch 40 93	
<i>Phy of Clarion</i> —Petroleum Centre ch 50 00		<i>Phy of Washington City</i> —New York Ave ch, Washington, D C, from R A Stribling, U S N 100 00	
<i>Phy of Cayuga</i> —Aurora ch 21 35		<i>Phy of West Chester</i> —Port Chester ch 20 00	
<i>Phy of Chicago</i> —North ch, Chicago 5 00		<i>Phy of Zanesville</i> —Jefferson ch 6 70	
<i>Phy of Carlisle</i> —First ch, Harrisburg, (Thanksgiving Day coll) 254 71			\$4,595 28
<i>Phy of Dubuque</i> —Second ch, Dubuque 15 02		REFUNDED.	
<i>Phy of Dayton</i> —Piqua 1st ch 15 10		W D K 10; W R S 40	\$50 00
<i>Phy of Freeport</i> —Kidout ch 5 00		LEGACIES.	
<i>Phy of Holston</i> —Knoxville ch 48 80		Estate of Wm McClintock, Pittsburgh, Pa 500, less taxes	\$445 00
<i>Phy of Hudson</i> —Amity ch 16; Florida ch 1 17 00		MISCELLANEOUS.	
<i>Phy of Jersey City</i> —First ch, Bergen 83 48		Rev H W McKee, Springfield, Ill 2; Miss Moore, Plainfield, N J 100; Lizzie and Willie, Phila 1; Sidney E Morris & Co, N Y 42; "A Friend" 1000; Rev Ansel R Clark, Huntington, Ohio 10; "O" 40; Alex Guy, M D, Oxford, Ohio 60; Elizabeth E Taylor, Cleveland, Ohio 200; Mrs E F Smith, Saratoga, N Y 40; H McLane 5; From a Friend, N Y 25; Patterson Estate 88	1,613 00
<i>Phy of Kittanning</i> —Currie's Run ch 20 25; Centre ch 4 50	24 75	Total amount acknowledged,	\$6,703 28
<i>Phy of Lackawanna</i> —Monroeton ch 2; Scranton ch 200	202 00	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.	
<i>Phy of Monmouth</i> —Matawan ch 17 00		BOARD OF EDUCATION.	
<i>Phy of Northumberland</i> —Lewisburg ch 43 00		ROOMS: No. 907 ARCH ST., PHILADELPHIA.	
<i>Phy of New York</i> —Houston and Thompson St ch 4; Madison Square ch 1800	1804 00	Corresponding Secretary—REV. WM. SPERER, D.D.	
<i>Phy of Niagara</i> —First ch, Medina 31 00		Treasurer—WM. MAIN, Esq.	
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<i>Phy of Newark</i> —First ch, Morristown 68 54; Morristown, South St ch 287 07	355 61		
<i>Phy of Newton</i> —First ch, Greenwich 17 25; Belvidere ch 5	22 25		
<i>Phy of New Castle</i> —Odessa ch 12 00			
<i>Phy of Ottawa</i> —Malden ch 4 25			
<i>Phy of Philadelphia</i> —Calvary ch 180 45; Third ch, Philadelphia 61	241 45		
<i>Phy of Pittsburgh</i> —Fourth ch, Pittsburgh 32 15			
<i>Phy of St Clairsville</i> —Little York ch 4 81; Wheeling Valley ch 6 50; New Athens ch 10 30; Short Creek ch 7 90	29 51		
<i>Phy of Schuyl'er</i> —Macomb ch 15; 1st ch, Quincy 64	79 00		



## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

DEATH OF MRS. NASSAU.—It is with great regret that we have to record the death of Mrs. Nassau, wife of the Rev. R. H. Nassau, M. D., near Benita, Corisco Mission, on the 10th of September, of African fever. As Miss Mary C. Latta she went to Africa as a teacher in 1860, arriving at Corisco in November. She was married to Mr. Nassau in 1862. Her missionary course has been one of singular devotedness and usefulness. A more lovely and happy Christian woman we have seldom known. We mourn over our loss, but for her to depart and to be with Christ was surely "far better." Great sympathy will be felt for her bereaved husband, and sister-in-law, and for her two children. Mr. Nassau had an attack of the same fever, but was free from it at the latest date. We learn these particulars from letters to the Rev. C. W. Nassau, D.D., letters to the Mission House not having yet arrived. We hope to give a more extended notice of this excellent lady hereafter.

BETTER NEWS FROM TUNGCHOW.—The missionaries were expecting to return to this station. The local magistrates had requested them to do so, and the American minister, Mr. Low, counselled the *men* to comply with this request, but wished them to wait until an American ship of war could take them there from Chefoo. The prospect of resuming their work at Tungchow gave them great pleasure, though still not confident that the anti-foreigner feeling would not yet give them trouble. In China generally, we see by a telegram in the newspapers, matters continued quiet to the 19th of November.

"ADDED TO THE CHURCH."—At Lahor, Mr. Forman speaks of three persons received on examination, one of whom is regarded as a man of talents, a Bengali, who, for some time, belonged to the Deistic party in Calcutta; at Lodiana, Mr. Wherry reports the admission of fifteen persons to the communion of the church during the year; at Etawah, Mr. Ullmann mentions his having "baptized a household—husband, wife, and three children," early in September; at Mynpurie, Mr. Alexander reports the admission by letter of seven communicants; at Sao Paulo, Mr. Chamberlain received by baptism one, the mother of one of the church members; at Samsonville, Liberia, three, including an aged mother and her daughter, were received by Mr. Erskine and the elders of the Clay-Ashland Church Session, who visited Samsonville for the purpose of holding a communion service there.

HAPPY DEATH OF A SENECA INDIAN.—Mr. Ford, of the Seneca Mission, writes, "We have recently lost by death an aged man, who seemed ripe for the heavenly glory. Two days before his departure, a meeting of several Christian brethren and others was held at his house, and it was truly cheering to notice the exhibition of his faith in Christ, and in unseen and spiritual realities. At his request, that beautiful hymn was sung, commencing with, 'Mercy, O thou Son of David.' Being raised up in his bed, he offered an humble and earnest prayer, and exhorted the members of the church to prayer and fidelity, and also urged the momentous importance of true religion upon the unconverted, and mentioned, particularly, his desire for the conversion of his adult son, who was present. Surely the gospel has done some good among this poor people, as this instance of a dying believer shows."

GABOON.—Mr. Walker expresses his thankfulness that he was able to prolong his residence there, if but for some months, to strengthen the things that remain; and he felt rewarded by the renewed expression of religious interest by three persons who had fallen away from their profession.

BEIRUT.—Dr. Thompson writes, "Our work in all its departments is extending quite beyond our ability to properly conduct it. Send us help, and speedily. This is the burden of our cry at present."

CHIENG-MAI.—Mr. McGilvary writes, "One lady, a princess by birth, though not ashamed to make an honest living, who has been in our family for four months, has applied for baptism, and also our cook, who is a Chinese; and we have some hopes that the widow of one of the martyrs is a Christian." The brethren considered it expedient to keep these persons longer on trial. In general their work among the Laos is encouraging, but they fear that one, and perhaps two, of their church members were not able to stand the late persecution. Mr. McGilvary adds, "The others give us great comfort. I never saw a better specimen of the grace of God than Nan Intoc, our first convert, affords."

RECEIPTS MAY 1ST TO DECEMBER 1ST. From Churches \$49,500; from Legacies \$6,347; from miscellaneous donors, \$6,165: in all \$61,993. Receipts in the same months last year \$79,885, of which from churches \$49,445.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO DECEMBER 14th.—Lower Cattaraugus, December 1st; Seminole, November 23d; Fort Defiance, Arizona, November 2d; Fort Wingate, New Mexico, November 21st; San Francisco, December 6th; Yokohama, October 19th; Yedo, October 21st; Tunchow, October 3d; Chefoo, October 6th; Shanghai, October 10th; Ningpo, October 8th; Hangchow, October 5th; Canton, October 10th; Petchaburi, August 6th; Chieng-mai, August 22d; Mynpurie, October 26th; Lodiana, October 14th; Lahor, October 25th; Beirut, November 10th; Abeih, November 9th; Monrovia, November 4th; Benita, September 27th; Gaboon, September 18th; Rio de Janeiro, October 24th; Sao Paulo, November 4th; Brotas, October 15th; Bogota, October 14th. [We may here insert the remark which was formerly made concerning this paragraph in our monthly summary: "This list of dates will be of interest to the relations of missionaries, and to other persons, as showing when our missionary friends were heard from. As a general remark, the health and usual engagements of our missionary brethren at these dates may be regarded as not marked by any material change, unless specified in the notices under 'Recent Intelligence.'"]

### MEMORIAL GIFTS TO THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY WORK.

We have been asked, what are the objects in the Foreign Missionary work to which Memorial Gifts could be applied? In general, we answer—to the same objects abroad as at home. The important condition, in both cases we presume, is the same, viz; that these gifts should not take the place of the usual contributions to the regular work of the Church. In other words, to be memorial they must be additional. This borne in mind, we see no doubt as to the propriety of the above reply.

In particular, on this view, memorial gifts may be applied:

1. To complete the payment of debt incurred previous to the beginning of the memorial year; of course, not to the payment of debt incurred since the year commenced. This is but recognizing the same rule abroad, as at home, in the case of church, college, and other former indebtedness. We are glad to say that but a small part of the debt of last year remains unpaid, and a noble gift of one

thousand dollars was received a short time ago towards removing it. About five thousand dollars now remain, out of the forty-four thousand six hundred and one dollars on the first of May.

2. To build and establish educational and training schools for native teachers and ministers, as at Gaboon, Canton, Hangchow, Tungehow, &c.

3. To provide mission buildings—dwelling houses and chapels, corresponding to parsonages and churches at home; and such buildings are needed in Syria; in India, at Kolapore particularly; in Siam, at Bangkok, and at Chieng-mai among the Laos; in China, at Canton, Hangchow, Tungehow, and other places; in Japan, at Yedo; in South America, at several places; probably at some points in the expected enlargement of our Indian work; and particularly in San Francisco, where a considerable outlay should be made for new and larger buildings for our interesting and important mission to the Chinese.

Keeping it distinctly in view, that gifts for these objects should not take the place of the regular collections and gifts for the general work of the Board, there is here a statement perhaps in sufficient detail; but further information will be cheerfully furnished by the executive officers of the Board.

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

### ORGANIZATION.

The Board consists of fifteen members, elected in three classes by the General Assembly, one class hereafter to be elected every year, and of the executive officers, as *ex-officio* members, appointed by the other members of the Board. As now constituted, the Board is the successor of the Board of Foreign Missions of the late Old School part of the Church, and of the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions of the late New School part of the Church. The duties of the Executive Committee of the late Old School Board are entrusted to the Board itself as now constituted. Executive officers of the Board, Rev. Messrs. John C. Lowrie, David Irving, and ——— Corresponding Secretaries; William Rankin, Esq., Treasurer. Address of the Secretaries and Treasurer—Mission House, 23 Centre Street, New York City.

### PUBLICATIONS.

*The Annual Report*, to the General Assembly, published in May.

*The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, the organ of all the Boards, contains some pages devoted to Foreign Missions. Published monthly by the Board of Publication, Philadelphia, Penna., at fifty cents a year; but it is sent free to ministers of our churches. Circulation, 15,000 copies.

*The Foreign Missionary*, a magazine, published monthly by the Board of Foreign Missions, at the Mission House, New York. Price fifty cents a year, but it is sent free to ministers of our churches, and when desired to donors of ten dollars a year and upward. Circulation, 4,500 copies.

*The Foreign Missionary*, a small embellished newspaper for children, published monthly at the Mission House, New York; price, ten copies for one dollar a year; but it is sent free, one copy to the children of each family in every Sabbath-school that makes regular collections for the Board. Circulation, 64,000 copies.

### COLLECTION OF FUNDS.

No agents or district secretaries are employed by the Board, but dependence is properly placed on the church sessions to have this cause presented in the best way to the congregation under their care. This general policy has been followed



for over fifteen years, with favorable results. The ratio of increase in the receipts of the Board has been doubled in this period, as compared with the returns of an equal preceding period, when collecting agents were employed; and also more than doubled as compared with the ratio of increase in the receipts of the leading Missionary Board of the country in this latter term of years. The expense of collection in the one case amounted to a large sum; in the other, it has been but nominal.

In connection with this, it may be stated that the expenses of the Board for executive or administrative work are extremely moderate; about four per cent. last year, or \$12,776 for salaries of executive officers, clerks, travelling expenses, postage, fuel, &c., out of \$311,105, the whole amount of payments.

#### RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

In the year ending May 1st, 1870, Expenses,	-	-	-	-	\$311,105 01
Receipts,	-	-	-	-	271,940 62
					<hr/> \$39,164 39
Add debt of May 1st, 1869,	-	-	-	-	5,437 60
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Indebtedness of the Board May 1st, 1870,	-	-	-	-	\$44,601 99

It ought to be known that the expenses, \$311,105, included provision for the support of the missions in Asia to the 1st of October, 1870. See Annual Report, page 60. Through the liberality of a few Christian friends this debt has been nearly paid, and is no longer a burden; but the regular receipts of the Board for the seven months of the mission year ending December 1st, have fallen seriously short of the expenses, while increased pecuniary obligations have been incurred in the enlarged work of the Board.

#### MISSIONS AMONG THE INDIANS.

There are missions among the Chippewas, in Michigan, begun in 1838; Omahas, in Nebraska; 1846; Seminoles and Creeks, in the Indian Territory; both in 1849; Navajoes, in Arizona Territory; 1868; ordained missionaries, 6; laymen, 2; female missionaries, 10; communicants, 235; scholars 102, all in boarding schools. Recently transferred by the American Board—Seneca mission, in Western New York, begun in 1822; and Ojibwa or Chippewa, in Wisconsin, begun in 1830; ordained missionaries, 3; female missionaries, 3; native preachers, 1; communicants, —; scholars, —.

#### MISSIONS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

At Bogota, United States of Colombia; 1856; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 3; native assistants, 1; communicants, 16. At Rio de Janeiro, and five other stations, Brazil; 1859; ordained missionaries, 6; female missionaries, 6; native assistants, 3; communicants, 262; scholars, 28.

#### MISSIONS IN AFRICA.

In Liberia; 1833; ordained missionaries, 7; laymen, 2; communicants, 240; scholars, 100. All the ministers in this country are men of color. In the Corisco Mission, on the western coast, just north of the equator; 1850; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 2; native minister, 1; native assistants, 14; communicants, 73; scholars 97, of whom 42 in boarding schools. Transferred recently by the American Board—Gaboos Mission, on the same coast, just south of the Corisco field, begun in 1842; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 3; native assistants, 3; communicants, —; scholars, 50, of whom 40 in boarding schools.

#### MISSIONS IN WESTERN ASIA.

Recently transferred by the American Board—Syria Mission, begun in 1819; ordained missionaries, 9; female missionaries, 9; native pastor, 1; licensed

preachers, 11; teachers, 34; other helpers, 4; communicants, 245; scholars, in common schools, 1184; in boarding schools for girls, 95; in the theological seminary, 7; in the classes of the college, 76—the college not being connected with the Board, though on a missionary basis.

#### MISSIONS IN INDIA.

In Upper India, at Lodiana and sixteen other stations; 1834; ordained missionaries, 31; female missionaries, 32; native ministers, 8; native assistants, 144; communicants, 535; scholars, 6684, of whom in orphan and boarding schools, 169. In Kolapore, West India, mission lately received by the Board, begun in 1853; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 1; native assistant, 1; communicants, 22; scholars, 175.

#### MISSION IN SIAM.

At Bangkok and Petchaburi; 1840; ordained missionaries, 6; female missionaries, 6; native assistants, 4; communicants, 30; scholars, 42—of whom 20 in boarding school.

#### MISSION AMONG THE LAOS.

At Chieng-mai, 500 miles north of Bangkok; 1867; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 2; communicants, 5.

#### MISSIONS IN CHINA.

At Canton, Shanghai, Ningpo, Hangchow, Chefoo, Tungechow, and Peking, with several out-stations; 1844; ordained missionaries, 22; missionary physicians, 2; female missionaries, 26; native ministers, 6; native assistants, 40; communicants, 630; scholars, 337—of whom 164 in boarding schools.

#### MISSION IN JAPAN.

At Yokohama and Yedo; 1859; ordained missionaries, 2; missionary physician, 1; female missionaries, 2.

#### MISSION AMONG THE CHINESE IN CALIFORNIA.

At San Francisco; 1853; ordained missionaries, 2; native assistants, 2; communicants, 16; scholars, 75. The relations of the Chinese in California are mainly with their own country, to which they all expect to return. As they are all from the province of Canton, this mission is regarded as closely connected with the Canton Mission.

#### MISSION TO THE JEWS.

In New York; 1846; ordained missionary, 1. This mission was commenced with reference to the Jews in some part of Europe or Western Asia, but its plan was changed. For some years it was prosecuted with vigor, but without much visible result. It has now little more than a nominal existence, as the missionary is also the pastor of a German church, which takes a large part of his time. It is an important question—What more shall be done by the Board for the conversion of the Jews?

#### MISSIONS IN BELGIUM, FRANCE, AND ITALY.

Since 1844, remittances of funds have been sent each year to aid our Protestant brethren in these countries, in their missionary work among their Roman Catholic countrymen. It has not been considered expedient to send missionaries from this country to engage in this European work, as the brethren on the ground are well able to superintend it, and to secure the best kind of laborers; but, inasmuch as the Evangelical Christians in these countries are mostly in very limited circumstances, they greatly need the friendly co-operation of their brethren in more favored lands. Hence, the sum of over \$100,000 thus remitted by the Board, and the further sum of \$20,000 invested in this country, for the support of Professors in the Waldensian Theological Seminary now at Florence, Italy, have not only called forth the warmest acknowledgments of our European brethren, but have been of very great service in the spread of true religion. This method of action is at once inexpensive and most efficient.

The Board still receives urgent requests for enlarged support of the work of evangelization in these countries, and in two of them—France and Italy—how wonderful have been the events of the last few months! A door of entrance, more widely open than ever, is now set before our churches for spreading the gospel amongst these and other Roman Catholic peoples in Europe, in Mexico, and in South America.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS IN AND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In the preceding article we have furnished our readers with some information concerning the Board of Foreign Missions and its work. This information will serve as the occasion, and in some respects, as a reason of the following remarks.

1. Remarkable progress has been made in this great work. This work, as supported by the late Old School part of the Church, was commenced at Pittsburgh, Pa., under the Western Foreign Missionary Society, formed by the Synod of Pittsburgh in 1831. One missionary was sent to Western Africa in the autumn of 1832, two were sent to India in the summer of 1833, two to the Western Indians and several assistants in the same year; and thus the work was fairly begun. But it was a very humble beginning, and many predictions were made of its failure. Nevertheless the Divine blessing rested upon it. The principles on which it was founded gained wider approval from year to year, until in 1837, the Western Foreign Missionary Society was merged in the Board of the General Assembly, and transferred to the Board its missionary laborers, consisting of twelve ministers, ten laymen—four of whom were candidates for the ministry and were afterwards ordained, twenty female missionaries, and an income of \$40,266. This was large progress for those days. The progress made since 1837 is shown, in some measure, by the statistics of the preceding article.

We regret that we cannot state in like manner the progress of the work in the late New School part of the Church. Though the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions was formed by the General Assembly in 1854, yet the work continued to be closely identified with that of the American Board. It formed, indeed, an efficient part of the missions of that Board, and shared equally in its progress.

In view of the whole case as it stands, we may well feel grateful for the advance made by the Church, and for the position of high promise now occupied. Our gratitude is unmingled with regret for the separation of the Old School churches from the American Board in former years, seeing that no injury was thereby wrought to that honored Board, while the work of missions under the Presbyterian Board was greatly larger than it would have been if the churches supporting it had remained in their former relations to that Board. This, we may believe is a happy example of the good results to be expected from the recent change of relations by the late New School Church. And as in all respects our Board has had a history for which we may well feel grateful to God, no other having more evidently enjoyed his blessing in past years. So we trust it is now entering on still greater work for our blessed Lord, to be marked by signal success. For this, we hope and pray.

2. It may be well to recall to recollection the ground on which the Presbyterian movement was made in 1831. It was not that of dissatisfaction with the American Board, neither was it that of controversy as connected with the doctrinal discussions of those times in the Church itself; but two main reasons were given:—1st. That the prospective enlarged work of the American Church in Foreign Missions required more than one Missionary Society—an argument amply sustained by the results of subsequent efforts, and now practically exemplified by almost every denomination of Evangelical Christians in this country. 2nd. That the work of Foreign Missions, while it might certainly be well conducted by what were called Voluntary Societies, was yet properly Church-work. An eloquent statement of this second argument may be found in the first number of the *Foreign Missionary Chronicle*, April, 1833. This statement, indeed, refers chiefly to the home department of the work, the adaptation of our ecclesiastical system to missionary work, the responsibility of our Presbyteries and Church Sessions, &c. The time had not then come for showing, by a happy experience, that our admirable and scriptural church system works equally well on heathen ground. This is now abundantly evident.

It is perhaps needless to recall the fact that the second of these general reasons did not, at the time, gain the assent of a large portion of the Presbyterian body; but in the course of years, time testing these theories, great changes of opinion have taken place, and we are all now standing on this ground as to Foreign Missions, as for several years we have been as to the home work of evangelization. Perhaps the writer of these lines may be permitted to add his testimony to that



of many others as to the pure, non-controversial, earnest missionary spirit, which governed the leading men who were active in forming the Presbyterian movement of 1831-32 in this sacred work. The first Corresponding Secretary, more than any other man, was the founder of the new Society, and no one admitted to intimate acquaintance with him, no one after often spending hours late in the night with him in conference and prayer over this great subject, could have the least doubt concerning the motives which influenced his plans and measures. It was permitted to him to see the great success of this work before he entered into his rest. Nearly the same remark might be made of the second Corresponding Secretary of the late Old School Board, as to his connection with this cause and its success.

3. It is hoped that all our brethren, in the ministry especially, will consider the ground adopted by the Board—that of resting this great cause directly on them and on the churches, without the intervention of any paid collecting agency. The more this subject is studied, the stronger we feel persuaded will be their conviction that this is the true ground. We may recur to this subject and to some topics connected with it hereafter.

4. Passing other subjects of moment, we wish to call earnest attention to the Missions of our Church, as now set before our readers. In general, see what a vast work for Christ they bring before us! Among the Indians, the people of South America, the Africans, the Hindus, the Siamese, the Laos, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Arabs and other Western Asiatic people, the Romanists of Europe, the Jews. More than three-fourths of the unevangelized population of the world can be reached through these missions. It is a great and noble work that God is thus giving us to do!

In particular, each of these missions has an interesting history. On each of them the blessing of God has rested. We cannot but deeply sympathize with our beloved missionary brethren in their work, its trials, difficulties, and also its great signs of promise, and its success already in many cases assured. But we refer to this point here for a special reason. It is this—that more men are needed in nearly all of these missions. Several new men and a number of female teachers will probably soon be called for among the Indian tribes, under the new policy of the Government toward them. Corisco and Gaboon both call earnestly for more men. In Western Asia both the Syria and the Nestorian Missions, the latter expected to be soon transferred to the Board, make earnest appeals for reinforcement. In India the work is great and can well employ more laborers, especially in Kolar, where one or two more missionaries should be sent without delay. The same remark may be made of Siam and China. In the Chinese field twenty missionaries, in each of the three general fields occupied by the Board, would be a small supply for our Church to support among 75,000,000, 64,000,000, and 57,000,000 of this great population; at the present the whole number of our ordained missionaries from this country, in all three missions, is but little over twenty. From Japan the missionaries call earnestly for more men. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—First ch Schenectady 600, Sab-sch 75 = 675; West Galway ch 33, Sab-sch 7 = 49; 2d ch Albany 242 88; 1st ch Albany 468; Balston Centre ch, Ladies' Heathen Soc'y, for girls' sch at Bangkok 30. *Pby of Troy*—First ch Cohoes 54 33; Johnsonville Sab-sch 10 \$1,520 21

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Aisquith St ch 80 48; 12th ch Sab-sch 21; Barton Sab-sch 10; Harmony ch 42 29. *Pby of Rio de Janeiro*—Rio de Janeiro chapel, from a friend 5. *Pby of Washington City*—Georgetown ch, Juv Miss'y Soc'y 113; New York Ave ch, R A Stribling, U S N 100; Western ch 30 401 77

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—First ch Walnut Hills 113 94; 3d ch Sab-sch Cincinnati, to con J Thompson Morse, L D 60 00. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Mt Leigh ch 11 40; 1st ch Sab-sch Gallipolis 20 205 34

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Me-

morial ch, Cleveland, mo con 6; Willoughby ch 5. *Pby of Mahoning*—Hubbard ch 8 40; Rehoboth ch 7 85. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Rock Hill Sab-sch 9 66; Nottingham ch 103; Short Creek ch Sab-sch 7 20. *Pby of Steubenville*—Augusta Sab-sch 8; Ridge ch 15; Wellsville Sab-sch 12 70; Island Creek ch Sab-sch 25; Bethlehem ch 8 60 216 41

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Marion*—Chester-ville Sab-sch 3 31; Mt Gilead Sab-sch, for Tungchow 2 19; Marion ch 32. *Pby of Wooster*—East Hopewell Sab-sch 27 50; Nashville Sab-sch, for Nyan Pin sch, China 19; Ashland ch, bequest of Miss Hattie Anderson 4 50 83 50

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Butler*—Rich Hill Sab-sch, to sup boy at Saharanpur 32; Centerville Sab-sch 25; Jefferson Summit Sab-sch 2 16. *Pby of Erie*—Meadville Sab-sch, to ed child at Dehra 12 25; 1st ch Erie 100; Fairfield Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Kittanning*—Pine Run ch 32; Worthington ch

Sab-seh 8. *Pby of Shenango*—Herron Sab-seh, to sup child at Dehra and Saharanpur 51 30; Slippery Rock Sab-seh 4 33 272 04

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Chemung*—Eddytown ch 18. *Pby of Geneva*—Geneva ch 93 66 111 66

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Pine St ch. Harrisburg 241 99; Rocky Spring ch. Mrs Martha M C 10. *Pby of Huntington*—Academia Sab-seh 19; Alexandria Sab-seh 49; Shade Gap Sab-seh 2 25. *Pby of Northumberland*—Great Island Sab-seh 9 74. Infant Class 51 cts = 10 25; Rohrsburg ch. Fem Miss'y Soc'y 6 320 49

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Peoria*—Broad St ch. Knoxville 42 30

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Freeport*—First ch Galena 63 75. *Pby of Ottawa*—Elgin ch 8 71 75

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Chester ch 13; 1st ch Jerseyville 51 85; Sparta ch. Union Sab-seh, to sup Miss Jerome, India 31 55. *Pby of Mattoon*—First ch Tuscola 45 80 142 20

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—Synodical Collection 56 35. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—Liberty ch 5 81; New Lancaster ch Sab-seh 5 73 67 89

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Rockville ch 15 81; Hopewell Sab-seh 7 22 81

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SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Winneago*—German ch Maryville 3; Depere ch, a lady 10. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Fulaski ch 10; Lake View Sab-seh 5 10 28 10

Total receipts from churches, \$21,111 33

LEGACIES.—Legacy of William Gasten, Brooklyn, N Y 200; Estate of Rev W N Mebane, N C 6 25; Legacy of Wm McClintock, Pittsburg, Pa 445; Patterson Estate 88 739 25

SYNOD OF REF PRESB CHURCH.—Fifth Ref Presb ch, Phila, for sup of missionaries in India 100 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—H M Lane 5; Nov Coupon 3; Martha E Denniston, Hollidaysburg, Pa 5; Mrs Hester Ayers, N Y 8; Rev E D G Prime, D.D., thank-offering for Syria Mission 500; Sylvan Retreat Sab-seh, Md 5; An aged widow of the Presb ch, per Theo Williams, Esq 310 60; James G Baldwin, Middletown, Ct, for California 5; D M H 20; Rev H C Cheadle and wife, Ohio 5; Greenhill, Mrs Morris' class of girls, for Rawal Pindi 5; John B Love, Phila 250; Soc'y of Inq, Union Theolo Sem'y 30; Rev W B Faris and wife Neoga, Ill 5 25; Hope 5; Genl G Loomis 2 50; W H 5; Contents of little girls mission box, Glasgow, O 1; Mrs Luther Halsey 4; A friend for France, Harlem 5; Isabella, for Am Indians 30; Cash 100; "O," Phila 3; J D L 50; Cash 2; Mrs C Williamson, South Hadley 5; A student, for France 2; Prof B N Martin, N Y University, for France 12 50; W H Logan, Carlisle, Pa 10; A friend of Missions 5; A dying gift of Miss Isabella M Miller, late of North Benton, Ohio, to con Levi A Miller *Life Member* 30 1,461 85

Total Receipts in November, \$23,412 43

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870, \$61,993 85

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## A SPECIMEN OF THE COLPORTEUR'S WORK.

A Colporteur in Iowa recently spent a communion Sabbath with a church in the northern portion of the State. He expressed his great gratification at finding among the *ten* who, on that day, united with the church on profession of their faith, a man who, when visited eighteen months before, ridiculed the Bible and everything connected with religion. He then gives the following account of a visit to another family :

"On a stormy day I called at a house and found all the family at home. The adult members of it were professedly pious, but they entertained sentiments somewhat different from those taught in some of my books. They soon began to find fault, and the old gentleman provokingly declared that no one possessed of common sense could believe the doctrines of the Presbyterian Church. I told him, in reply, that I had just sense enough to enable me to believe them. He then got an old Shorter Catechism, and, after reading the answer to the question 'What are the decrees of God?' he asked, with an air of triumph, 'Do you believe that?' I answered decidedly, 'I do.' 'Well,' said he, 'such teaching is a libel on the character of the Almighty.'

"I then asked him if he had ever read a sentence like this, 'Being predestinated according to the purpose of Him who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will.' He thought he had never read it. I told him I had seen it somewhere. 'Perhaps so,' said he, 'but it was in a Presbyterian book.' 'Yes, it was,' I answered, 'and the writer of the sentence was a rigid Presbyterian, being no other than the Apostle Paul himself. Now that is stronger language than the Catechism uses, and will you say that God's own word is a libel on His character?' He objected that such a doctrine destroyed man's free agency. 'What kind of freedom do you want?' I asked. 'Freedom to serve God,' he replied. 'Well,' said I, 'who denies you that freedom? You are just as free to serve God, or the devil, as the Jews were to crucify the Saviour. They acted with perfect freedom in doing that wicked deed, yet they were all the while carrying out the eternal purpose of God. "Him, *being delivered by the*

determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain," said Peter.'

"'Hold on!' said he, 'that passage doesn't say anything about an eternal purpose.'

"'But when were God's purposes made?' I asked.

"'Why,' said he, 'when He sees the necessity of doing anything He does it.'

"'Well,' I replied, 'if God finds out the necessity for acting only as human events develop it, and then purposes and acts, He knows no more than I do, and consequently is no God at all. To worship such a being as this is idolatry, for the true God seeth the end from the beginning. Besides such a God as you describe may very often be forced to change his purposes as men may change, while the God of the Bible says, "I am the Lord; I change not. My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure."' "

"'Well,' said the objector, 'there are a great many things in the Presbyterian Church that I don't believe. I don't believe in "infant damnation."' "

"'Wait a moment,' said I. 'Have you anything more to say on predestination, or do you believe in it?' He said he did not believe in it. 'Then,' I answered, 'You don't believe the Bible.'

"'I don't believe in infant damnation,' he responded.

"'Neither do I, neither does the Presbyterian Church.'

"'You can't tell me anything about the Presbyterian Church,' he replied, 'I was raised in it till I was eighteen years old, and I know all about it.'

"'Well,' I answered, 'you must have been a remarkably smart boy to learn so much in that time. I have been fifty years in that Church and don't know one-half of it yet.'

"'Well,' said he, 'I believe that children are born as holy and as pure as the angels in heaven and that they are all saved.'

"'My opinion,' I replied, 'is rather more in accordance with that of the inspired Psalmist, who says, "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me." But while I believe that children are born sinners, I also believe that all dying in infancy are saved—saved and washed from their sins in the blood of Jesus—and that they will unite in singing that song which none but *the redeemed* can sing "Unto Him that loved us and hath *washed us from our sins*,"' &c.

"'I believe that,' said he.

"'Do you believe that children are washed from their sins in the atoning blood of Jesus?' I asked. He answered that he did.

"'But,' I asked, '*from what sins* are they washed? They die before committing *actual* sin and you say they have no *original* sin to be washed away?'

"Here his wife interrupted us and said to him, 'I have told you many a time never to argue with those Presbyterians. You always get beaten and make them think they are the smartest folks in the world.'

“‘Beaten!’ said he, ‘there is none of them can beat me. But I must go and water the cattle.’

“‘Wait a moment,” I said; ‘I want to sell you a book before you go.’ So I sold him Doddridge’s *Rise and Progress*, gave him some tracts and we went our ways—he to water his cattle and I to ride five miles in a severe snow storm.”

J. S. L.

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#### OUR MISSION WORK.

The good done by the contributions of churches to our “Missionary Fund” is illustrated by the following acknowledgment of a donation to a destitute Sabbath-school in Indiana:

“*Dear Sir,*—The library you donated to us has arrived, and words will fail to express to you the appreciation of it by the members of our school. The children cannot wait for the regular distribution, but crowd eagerly to get a first view and selection. We have laboured hard for the extension of the Christian work in our neighbourhood, and, although our means are limited and our members few, we thank God for the great rewards given to us, and for His abundant mercies bestowed from unexpected sources. Again, in behalf of the school, you have our thanks and our prayers for God’s blessing upon the work you have done and are doing.”

In the same vein write scores and hundreds of Sabbath-school superintendents and pastors who have been aided by the Board of Publication. Thus, from De Soto, Iowa, comes the following:

“The Sabbath-school of De Soto desire me to return sincere thanks to you for the twenty dollars worth of books given to them by the Board. The school now has a nice little collection of *ninety volumes*. Only the records of eternity will reveal the amount of good done by thus placing *good* books in the hands of the children and youth of this flourishing Iowa village. The Presbyterian church here was organized about one year ago, and has fourteen or fifteen members. They have just completed a new house of worship, and on dedication day raised nine hundred dollars in pledges to clear the building from debt. This extra and unusual burden exhausted the congregation, and help was needed to set the Sabbath-school going. By this donation of books, and also the donation of the ‘Visitor’ for six months, the school is placed on a good basis. Sixty to sixty-five is the average attendance. If any of the donors have opportunity ever to look in upon the school I am sure they will receive a hearty welcome, and will be richly rewarded for their good deeds done in the Master’s name.”

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#### MEXICO.

Are our readers aware of the fact that just over the river which forms our southern border, lies one of the most inviting fields of missionary labor on the face of the round world? Do they know that those familiar with the facts would strike out the words “one of,” and say, “*the most inviting and urgent mission field in the world to-day is Mexico?*”



A work is going forward in that republic which imperatively claims our notice and calls for our aid. Despotism and Romanism, hand-in-hand, are struggling to crush civil and religious freedom. At the same time, the Spirit of God is awakening many to ask for the Way of Life. The work is one from within and not from without. It is not a mission from abroad, a foreign element, but an awakening within, among the Mexicans themselves, though aided by light that has radiated from Christian men and women from the United States. No less than *forty congregations* of Mexican men and women meet every Lord's day for worship and instruction immediately from the Bible. Multitudes are ready to read. The demand for light is pressing. Intelligent Christian men, in whom we have entire confidence, and who are engaged in this work, are begging for plain, clear statements of Bible truth to circulate broadcast so as to meet and answer the call which has been created by the Providence and Spirit of God. They have appealed to the Board of Publication for the issue of more Spanish tracts, and for grants of those already issued by the Board. They must not appeal in vain. Are there not Christian hearts that will respond to this inviting call? Contributions sent to the Board of Publication for this purpose will be used immediately and in a telling way.

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#### TRACTS *versus* NEWSPAPERS.

A highly intelligent minister of our body, to whom the Corresponding Secretary of the Board had written to represent it in his Synod, in the course of his reply said:—

“Should there be any call for me to speak, it will be no disadvantage to me that I have, within a year, read the greater number of the tracts in your twelve bound volumes for the first time, with gratification as a Presbyterian, and spiritual profit as a Christian. I can most heartily testify to the desirableness of spreading them freely, and far and wide. Doubtless my own preaching has been more evangelical and otherwise better than it would have been, had the hours given to these tracts been devoted to the daily press, to which most ministers are tempted to give too much time. How vast would be the gain could these tracts be substituted for the myriad copies of most of the weekly papers that are *pushed* into so many families.”

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Blessed and glorious book! We never can have too many editions to tempt the young and the old to study its pages and drink in its lessons of wisdom and grace divine. Our Board has just got out a new, attractive, portable, and readable edition of this dear old book. It is in 16mo size, prettily bound in muslin, with a Life of Bunyan, a portrait, and numerous excellent engravings on wood. In all respects it is a desirable edition for the family and the Sabbath-school. The price (\$1.25), is very low for so handsome and valuable a book.

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#### ANNA CLAYTON.

Those who are annoyed by the circulation of captivating tales, proving in swimming style that Baptism is immersion and only immersion, will be aided by the circulation of one of the books of the Presbyterian Board entitled "*Anna Clayton*." The arguments presented in the book were addressed to a sister who was unsettled in the subject of the mode of Baptism, and seeking Scripture light. She was flooded with Baptist documents, but was unwilling to accept their teachings unquestioned. She, therefore, requested her brother to aid her in the examination of their assertions. By the views presented in *Anna Clayton* she was settled in her belief, and delivered from immersionist troubles. It is in the form of a tale, and is decidedly readable. (Price \$1.50.)

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#### "SOMETHING TO MEET EVERY INQUIRY."

From Moulton, Iowa, the Rev. William Kendrick thus acknowledges a grant from the Board of Publication:—

"I am happy to acknowledge the receipt of two dozen Social Hymn and Tune Books, together with tracts, &c., sent for the benefit of this church and people in our time of need. The variety of tracts is a very good selection, and just such as we need for distribution among this people, and, no doubt, will be instrumental in doing much good long after we have ceased our work below.

"Such expressions of a true interest in feeble churches and missionary fields, as is manifested in the donation of the books and tracts, creates an interest in the church and community that must be lasting, and binds the church to the Board of Publication in a much stronger sense than all lectures on the duty of giving to the Board could do. The variety of tracts, &c., for distribution is just such as I need to meet the errors of many of the people in this region.

"A gentleman yesterday was inquiring of me where he could get Dr.



Rice's work on Spiritualism. He wanted to send for it. I told him our Board of Publication had sent some to me. I was glad to be able to supply him. Others inquired for books, tracts, or something (they said) on Presbyterianism, and some on other subjects, and strange to say, you sent me something to meet every inquiry that has been made. The Lord, of course, must have directed you what to send, as you could not know otherwise.

"We tender our many and sincere thanks to you, the Board, and the good people who gave the means to publish books and tracts, for these weapons to enable us to fight the battles of our blessed Saviour more successfully. Please pray for us."

### A WORD TO PASTORS.

Do not omit to give your congregation an opportunity to contribute to the good work of the Board of Publication. Take up the collection, and have it sent to the Treasurer before the close of our ecclesiastical year. It is not wanted for the business of the Board, but purely and solely for its Missionary Department.

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## PROGRESS AND PROSPECTS OF THE WORK.

Every member of our beloved Church (especially every *contributing* member) has a right to ask, "How does the work of Church Erection advance?" Our answer to this inquiry is of a duplex and rather contradictory character. The importance of our work was never so clearly demonstrated. The desire and necessity for church building, the imperative demand for more sanctuaries, not only for the accommodation of God's poor people, but also for the reception of "those without," who are willing, at least, to hear the truth of God's word, has never been so great. The liberality and spirit of self-sacrifice manifested by our newly organized and feeble churches, especially in our new States and Territories, is highly encouraging. The gratitude manifested by many of those who have received our aid in their efforts to build, and, above all, the manifest tokens of God's favor, in the enlargement of the spiritual house, where, amidst much self-denial, the people have reared the outer temple for God's worship, is very cheering to all who love the gates of Zion. The hearts of not a few of those devoted missionaries sent out by our Board of Home Missions, have been greatly encouraged and their hands strengthened, by the enlarged congregations to whom they now break the bread of life in the comfortable sanctuaries, which, with our aid, they have been enabled to build. Nearly two hundred of these houses of worship have been completed within the last few months, and are now filled from Sabbath to Sabbath with devout and attentive congregations. Some of the ministers who occupy these pulpits are now demitting, at least a portion, if not the whole of the aid, they have for years been receiving from the Board of Missions.

This view of the subject presents a bright and encouraging picture. But the picture has another side, which in faithfulness we must present.

It was hoped and confidently expected, that one of the blessed fruits of reunion would be, an increase of means with which to carry forward with accelerated force, this, as well as the other agencies of the Church. In this hope we have been disappointed. The Bible rule of increased power as the result of *union*, "One shall chase a *thousand*, and two shall put *ten thousand* to flight," has not been realized. On the contrary, for some months after the consolidation of the two Boards, there has been a falling off in our receipts. In June, the first month of the union, our receipts were \$3,939.24 instead of \$4,254.71 during the same month of last year. In July, \$5,103.63 instead of \$8,160.60 last year, and in August, \$3,265.65 instead of \$8,451.23 last year. Thus, in three months of the present year, instead of an increase, there has been a falling off in our receipts of \$8,557.97. During this time, there has been an increase of demand for aid, from our feeble and houseless churches, of nearly one hundred per cent. As a necessary consequence, the balance of \$24,000 in our Treasury when the union took place, has been exhausted, and the Board is now \$18,000 in debt.

We have thus far shrunk from the responsibility of rejecting the applications for aid, that are pouring in upon us from all directions, although we have not been able to grant the full amount asked for. In hope of the Church coming up more fully and liberally to our aid, we have gone on in faith, to make appropriations. But we have now reached a point beyond which we cannot go with safety, until our Treasury is replenished. Already churches are complaining, that for want of the aid they expected from us, they are obliged to stop work on their buildings, which will be injured by exposure during the winter; while others are in danger of being sold by the sheriff, and thus all that has been expended upon them must be sacrificed, and the flattering prospects of the church be blasted. This is a result greatly to be deprecated.

There are *special* reasons why the cause of Church Erection, instead of being permitted to languish, should be pushed forward *just at this time*, with redoubled energy.

1st. This is a *memorial* year, in which we have promised great things, and great things are expected of us.

2d. The number of newly organized and shelterless churches is greater than ever before.

3d. The offer of lots for churches and parsonages by railroad and land companies to such denominations as will *first* occupy the ground and erect church buildings, is a strong reason why we should go forward without delay. Already we have lost some such offers, not only of land, but also of money to aid in the erection of the buildings. A year or two hence, lots which may *now* be had as gifts, will cost hundreds of dollars, and many of the people who would gladly fall in with us, having given their money, and in this way become connected with other denominations, will be lost to the Presbyterian Church.

4th. The erection of church buildings *now* will be the means of retaining some of our missionaries on the field, who have written to us that if a house of worship cannot be secured for them, they must abandon their work, as they can accomplish but little without one.

Lastly, (for we must not enlarge,) four hundred dollars given *now* to assist in building a church for one of our Home Missionaries, will save more than double that amount to our Board of Missions, by enabling him to gather a self-sustaining congregation.

One good missionary in the West, after making an earnest application to our Board of Church Erection, writes thus to Dr. Kendall: "Will you not use your influence to secure for us five hundred dollars from the Board of Church Erection? If we can get that, I will donate one hundred dollars of my allowance from your Board for this year, and next year ask for nothing." Other cases of a similar kind might be cited.

If we are asked what has caused this falling off in the receipts of our treasury? we answer: 1st. There seems to be a false impression of this kind. Now that we are a united and greatly enlarged Church; as there are nearly twice the number of contributors, there is not so much necessity for *us* to contribute so largely. Such persons do not consider that if there are twice the number of contributing churches, there are more than twice the number of applications for aid. 2d. The unusually large number of *local* and *special* objects that have been undertaken as memorial efforts, which in many instances are suffered to take the place of the regular contributions to the Board. We know that this was not the design of the originators of this great movement, nor is it the wish of the Memorial Committee; nevertheless such is the fact, in many instances, as we have opportunity to know. The Stated Clerk of one of our large and wealthy Presbyteries, numbering twenty-three churches and two thousand three hundred and eighty-two church members, gives us official notice, that our Board need not expect any contributions from them this year, as they intend to aid one of their feeble congregations in erecting a *Memorial Church*. Now, if all our Presbyteries should follow this noble example what would become of the cause of Church Erection?

In the name of the Board—nay, in the name of our blessed Lord and Master, let me ask the churches, and every one into whose hands this article may fall, what answer shall we give to the scores of poor and feeble churches, who are knocking at the door of our empty treasury for aid? Shall we be compelled to say to them, stand out in the cold for another winter, or give up the field to other denominations, who with less of wealth, are far surpassing us, in planting churches and erecting for them houses of worship, or will you by your contributions authorize us to say to these our needy brethren, "arise and build?"

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, NOVEMBER 1870—*In part.*

<i>Phy of Albany</i> —Albany 1st ch	\$108 00	<i>Phy of Chenango</i> —Slippery Rock ch Sab-sch	1 54
<i>Phy of Alton</i> —Anna 1st ch 4; Alton 1st 31	05 35 05	<i>Phy of Dayton</i> —Clifton ch	49 50
<i>Phy of Butler</i> —Middlesex ch	15 00	<i>Phy of Dine</i> —Prairie du Sac ch	27 95
<i>Phy of Baltimore</i> —New Windsor ch	4 00	<i>Phy of Ebenezer</i> —Maysville ch	19 00
<i>Phy of Bureau</i> —Malden ch	6 00	<i>Phy of Erie</i> —Edinboro' ch	20 00
<i>Phy of Bloomington</i> —Gilman ch	3 00	<i>Phy of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch 5; New	
<i>Phy of Benicia</i> —Healdsburg ch	4 00	Lancaster ch 6 21	11 21
<i>Phy of Boston</i> —Newburyport 1st ch	18 44	<i>Phy of Genesee</i> —Byron ch	13 00
<i>Phy of Catskill</i> —Durham ch	14 00	<i>Phy of Geneva</i> —Dundee ch	10 00
<i>Phy of Chicago</i> —Chicago North ch 5 20; Lake		<i>Phy of Highland</i> —Holton ch	5 90
Forest ch 100	105 20	<i>Phy of Humboldt</i> —Ottawa ch	9 15
<i>Phy of Cincinnati</i> —Lane Seminary ch	76 22	<i>Phy of Hudson</i> —Scotchtown ch 20; Florida ch	
<i>Phy of Chemung</i> —Waverly ch	30 00	5; do Sab-sch 1	26 00
<i>Phy of Connecticut</i> —South Salem ch 94; South		<i>Phy of Huntingdon</i> —Huntingdon ch	103 20
East ch 3 66; South East Centre ch 10	107 66	<i>Phy of Huron</i> —Lyme ch	15 80
<i>Phy of Clarion</i> —Elkton ch	8 00		

(To be continued.)



# RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE NEEDY WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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## BALANCE OF RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER, WITH PART OF NOVEMBER.

## MINNESOTA.

Minneapolis, Westminster Pres ch,	\$37 14
Minneapolis, Westminster Sab-sch,	18 86
Red Wood Falls Pres ch,	4 00
Beaver Falls Pres ch,	1 00
St Cloud Pres ch,	5 25
St Paul, Central Pres ch,	38 65
Sheldon Pres ch,	2 00
Rochester, Anonymous,	10 03
St Peter, Union Pres ch,	22 35
St Anthony Pres ch,	13 84

## MISSOURI

Carondelet, "C,"	\$5 00
St Louis, St Charles Pres ch,	7 21
St Louis, Bethel Pres ch,	5 00
St Louis, Zoar and Emanuel Pres ch,	15 00
Clinton, Mrs Mary S Rice,	5 00
Wadesburg, Rufus L. Taylor,	3 50

## NEW JERSEY.

Lamington Pres ch,	\$12 00
Elizabethport Pres ch,	20 00
Newark, Wickliffe Pres ch,	17 33
Musconetcong Valley Pres ch,	14 00
Trenton 4th Pres ch,	63 04
Fislerville Pres ch,	40 00
Amwell 1st Pres ch,	13 29
Trenton 1st Pres ch,	125 00
Lambertville Pres ch,	100 00
Milford Pres ch,	16 00
Holland Pres ch,	6 00
Flemington Pres ch,	82 51
Morristown, "T L,"	30 00
Plainfield Pres ch,	70 00
Lawrenceville, Dr H Hamill,	5 00
Fairton Pres ch,	14 00
New Brunswick, 1st Pres ch, additional,	11 00
Absecon Pres ch,	4 00
Trenton 2d Pres ch,	20 00
German Valley Pres ch,	28 69
Princeton, Mrs G T Snowden,	20 00
Miss Anna Wood, of 1st ch Metuchin,	10 00
Amwell 2d Pres ch,	9 50
Fresh Ponds Pres ch,	7 00
Liberty Corner Pres ch,	12 00
Manchester Pres ch,	10 00
Paterson 1st Pres ch,	65 00
Morristown 1st Pres ch,	34 27
Kingston Pres ch,	61 85
Camden 1st ch, two members,	6 00
Bunker Hill Pres ch,	3 25
Newark 1st Pres ch,	93 55
Danville Pres ch,	2 00
Elizabeth 1st Pres ch,	25 03
Amwell United Pres ch,	10 00
Dutch Neck Pres ch, envelope coll 25, "A friend, special" 5	30 00
Belvidere Pres ch,	6 65
Jersey City 1st Pres ch,	23 30
Chatham Pres ch,	67 00
Greenwich Pres ch,	32 20

## NEW YORK.

Islip Pres ch,	\$9 00
Sag Harbor, Mary King,	50 00
Sweet Hollow Pres ch,	6 55
New York City, Forty-second St Pres ch,	52 45
Troy, Oakwood Ave Pres ch,	11 85
New York City, Chapel of Phillips Pres ch,	40 10
Bethlehem Pres ch,	11 00
Nunda 1st Pres ch,	34 22
Oxbow Pres ch,	17 32
Rossie Pres ch,	9 13

Amsterdam 1st Pres ch,	15 00
Syracuse 1st Ward Pres ch,	25 00
Smithfield Pres ch,	11 80
Amsterdam Village Pres ch,	26 60
Carlisle Pres ch,	8 00
Esperance Pres ch,	4 00
Johnstown Pres ch,	34 02
Albany, State Street Pres ch,	120 03
West Hampton Pres ch,	16 00
Speonk Pres ch,	2 00
Head of Delaware Pres ch,	12 65
Saratoga Spa Sab-sch,	22 32
Sullivan Co. Bethel Pres ch,	5 00
Woodside, Troy Pres ch,	5 00
Oyster Bay, "Anonymous,"	5 00
Middle Hope Pres ch,	6 00
Buffalo, "L M S.,"	5 00
Sparta 2d Pres ch,	6 50
New York, "Anonymous,"	3 00
Gouverneur Pres ch,	12 25
Hamilton Union Pres ch,	7 90
Morristown Pres ch,	4 50
Oswegatchie 2d Pres ch,	12 00
Moscow Pres ch,	15 00
Oak's Corners Pres ch,	5 00
Union ch. of Tuscarora and Union Corners	19 45
Newland Miss Chapel Sab-sch, additional,	1 00
Clarkson Pres ch,	8 00
(L I), Setauket Pres ch,	10 00
Waterville Pres ch,	14 00
New Scotland Pres ch,	23 34
Utica, Bethany Pres ch,	44 51
New York City, Scotch Pres ch,	181 30
New York City, Chelsea Pres ch,	7 03
Hopewell Pres ch,	25 00
Huntington 1st Pres ch,	34 42
Peekskill 1st Pres ch,	34 30
Brooklyn, Throop Ave Pres ch,	21 93
East Hamburgh Pres ch,	5 03
Marlborough Pres ch,	12 50
Geneva Pres ch,	67 16
Middletown Pres ch,	17 42
Port Jarvis Pres ch,	32 00
Galway Pres ch,	8 50
Ogden Pres ch,	18 65
Painted Post Pres ch,	5 00
Crawford 1st Pres ch,	13 60
Keeseville Pres ch,	24 27
(L I), Centre-Moriches Pres ch,	14 00
Danville Pres ch,	18 49
Groveland Pres ch,	10 03
Port Jarvis Pres ch, (additional),	1 00
Binghamton North Pres ch,	7 91
Yorktown Pres ch,	20 00
Almond Pres ch,	16 85
Fresh Pond Pres ch,	4 00
South Salem Pres ch,	36 50
Florida Pres ch,	5 00
Albany 1st Pres ch,	72 00
New York City, Houston and Thompson Sts Pres ch,	2 00
New York City, Thirteenth St Pres ch,	92 00
Oswego Pres ch,	49 50
Carmel, Gilead Pres ch,	27 00
Newburg, Calvary Pres ch,	32 02

## OHIO.

Red Oak Pres ch,	\$12 50
Hillsboro' Pres ch,	124 50
Circleville, Central Pres ch,	20 10
Cambridge Pres ch,	15 00
Central College Pres ch,	4 00
Uniontown, Rev J P Caldwell,	13 20
Mt Gilead Pres ch,	24 50

Chesterville Pres ch,	5 75	Carlisle 2d Pres ch,	91 82
Liberty Pres ch,	6 50	Butler Pres ch,	40 00
New Hagerstown Pres ch,	18 00	Mt Nebo Pres ch,	5 00
Middleport Pres ch,	7 86	Philadelphia, Mr John Reid,	5 00
Pleasant Hill Pres ch,	5 15	Bellefonte Pres ch,	125 00
Rock Hill Pres ch,	16 40	Mifflinburg Pres ch,	8 85
Bucyrus 1st Pres ch,	23 00	Neshannock Pres ch,	40 75
Milford Centre Pres ch,	4 00	Chillisquaque Pres ch,	12 00
Marietta, G Burlingame,	5 00	Moorestburg Pres ch,	7 00
Wooster 49 03, Ashland 35, Long Run 17 60, (less 28 cents postage),	101 37	Rev C H Park,	5 00
Bethesda Pres ch,	10 00	Shippensburg Pres ch,	21 00
Northfield Pres ch,	5 00	Barclay Pres ch,	5 10
Toledo Pres ch,	15 75	Germantown 1st Pres ch,	195 00
Monroe Pres ch,	12 00	York, "anonymous,"	12 00
Keene Pres ch,	14 00	Bellefield Pres ch,	25 41
Apple Creek Pres ch,	33 00	Brandywine Pres ch,	23 70
North Fork Pres ch,	7 25	Market Square ch, Germantown,	19 00
Fredericktown Pres ch,	11 45	Philadelphia, North Pres ch,	72 00
Urichsville Pres ch,	5 00	Slate Lick Pres ch,	13 00
Mt Pleasant Pres ch,	22 63	Slatington Pres ch,	25 00
Oak Ridge Pres ch,	15 00	Lower Marsh Creek Pres ch,	10 75
East Hopewell Pres ch,	15 00	Philadelphia, Kensington 1st Pres ch,	36 00
Nashville Pres ch,	8 50	Harbor Creek Pres ch,	11 07
Martinsville Pres ch,	15 00	Piesantville Pres ch,	43 00
Radnor Pres ch,	4 00	Petersburg Pres ch,	5 00
Springfield 2d Pres ch,	100 00	Upper Octarara Pres ch,	20 00
Cincinnati 2d Pres ch,	157 36	Warrenham Pres ch,	5 30
Waterford Pres ch,	1 85	Philadelphia, North Tenth St Pres ch,	29 43
Rev J M Wampler, late Treas of the Synod of Cincinnati (O S), per Robt Sutton,	250 00	Canton Pres ch,	10 00
Cummingsville Pres ch,	14 00	McEwensville Pres ch,	5 00
Springdale Pres ch,	33 75	Philadelphia, West Arch St Pres ch,	63 70
Avondale Pres ch,	20 00	Upper West Nottingham Pres ch,	10 45
Zanesville 1st Pres ch,	15 00	Washington Pres ch, Presbytery of Northum- berland,	14 90
Hanging Rock 1st Pres ch,	28 20	Slateville Pres ch,	24 00
Morristown Pres ch,	6 05	Williamsburg Pres ch,	20 00
Greenfield Pres ch,	10 00	Wattsburg Pres ch,	8 82
Findlay Pres ch,	76 65	Slate Ridge Pres ch,	16 30
Canal Fulton Pres ch,	10 00	Philadelphia, Westminster Pres ch,	14 00
Dalton Pres ch,	21 50	Birmingham Pres ch,	61 50
Brown Pres ch,	8 75	Philadelphia 1st Pres ch,	411 00
Delta Pres ch,	4 00	Altoona 2d Pres ch,	48 00
Bloomfield Pres ch,	11 20	Chestnut Hill Pres ch,	175 00
Centre Unity Pres ch,	3 00	Milroy Pres ch,	25 00
Hayesville Pres ch,	12 25	Marple Pres ch,	26 02
McKay Pres ch,	6 55	Allegheny City, North Pres ch,	65 00
Milan Pres ch,	23 00	Middle Tuscarora Pres ch,	33 00
Kidge Pres ch,	11 00	Philadelphia Central Pres ch,	101 07
Dayton 3d Pres ch,	41 65	Darby 1st ch,	7 75
Columbus 1st ch,	71 90	Philadelphia, Cohocksink Pres ch,	48 22
Piqua Pres ch,	17 41	Bald Eagle and Nittany Pres ch,	6 40
Lima Central Pres ch,	4 00	Jefferson Summit Pres ch,	5 10
Millersburg Pres ch,	10 14		
PENNSYLVANIA.			
Waynesburg Pres ch,	\$23 75	WEST VIRGINIA.	
Washingtonville Pres ch,	5 00	Fairview 5 30, Morgantown 21 42	26 72
Rushville Pres ch,	3 00	Clarksburg 9 67, Holiday's Cove 7	16 67
Stevensville Pres ch,	3 00	Forks of Wheeling Pres ch	54 00
Abington Pres ch,	31 00		
Spring Hill Furnace Pres ch,	10 00	WISCONSIN.	
Mahanoy City 1st Pres ch,	37 81	Oakland 5 60, Platteville 2 50	8 10
Philadelphia, Woodland Pres ch,	55 41	Horicon 10, Lodi 10 01	20 01
Pittsburgh, Central Pres ch,	121 00	Juneau Pres ch,	7 00
Spruce Creek Pres ch,	121 00	Stevens Point,	12 50
New Salem Pres ch,	19 14		
Dauphin Pres ch,	16 70	ILLINOIS.	
Greenville Pres ch,	12 00	Nashville Pres ch,	\$10 00
Pisgah Pres ch,	7 30	Bloomington Pres ch,	42 00
Philadelphia, South Pres ch,	28 31	Virginia Pres ch,	8 00
Mansfield Pres ch,	16 25	Shawneetown Pres ch,	30 65
Monteurs Pres ch,	14 00	Lewistown Pres ch,	34 40
Manchester Sab-sch,	6 00	El Paso Pres ch,	9 00
Leetsdale Pres ch,	36 23	Harvard Pres ch,	4 00
Parnassus Pres ch,	17 34	Cedarville Pres ch,	10 00
Millvale Pres ch,	5 66	Leranon, Rev Lyman Marshall (to Memorial Fund),	5 00
Plum Creek Pres ch,	16 00	Alton 1st Pres ch Sab-sch, "Little Banks,"	8 75
Westfield Pres ch,	25 62	Andover Pres ch,	5 00
Glade Run Pres ch,	11 00	Pisgah Pres ch,	10 00
Worthington Pres ch,	9 00	Huntsville Pres ch,	2 00
Mt Prospect Pres ch,	28 15	Brooklin Pres ch,	1 50
Mansfield Pres ch,	3 00	Malden Pres ch,	4 00
Allegheny 1st ch Sab-sch,	38 10	Chicago, North Pres ch,	8 00
McClellandtown Pres ch,	6 00	(To be continued.)	
Philadelphia, Conshohocken Pres ch,	8 00		\$8,010 63
Philadelphia 7th Pres ch,	85 10		

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FROM MINISTERS.

NORTH CAROLINA.—A missionary in this State writes: "I have been holding communion meetings this month at Rocky River and Concord. We received twelve new members at Rocky River, and expect to receive others at our next meeting. . . . At Concord we received six last Sabbath. We have seldom had so pleasant meetings as these. All our churches seem to grow in grace, and knowledge, and good order."

Later he writes: "I have commenced to operate among the people in behalf of the mission, including the Memorial Fund. Last Sabbath I presented the cause at Poplar Tent. We raised in a short time eighty-seven dollars—nine fives for the Five Million Fund, and the rest in smaller amounts for the Boards, including the Committee. I think that we will raise in that church near one hundred dollars. . . . I shall present the cause on the three following Sabbaths in the other churches. These collections will be on the condition that Scotia Seminary will come in for its share of the Five Million Fund." This seminary is located at Concord, N. C., is for colored girls, has lately been chartered, *needs funds*, and is well worthy of being carefully fostered.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—To one of our churches in this State, there have lately been added on examination, in a single month, ninety-eight persons, about fifty of whom were baptized. A portion, at least, of the remainder had been members of the church before the war. At a point about nine miles distant from this church, forty-one persons have signed a petition to Presbytery for the organization of a Presbyterian church there, and we are told that "there are persons there who have their minds made up to be earnest workers in the church."

*Adverse*.—Rev. Ishmael Moultrie, our colored minister on Edisto Island, writes that just three days before he was to pay ninety or one hundred dollars for an acre of land (for a site for the Edisto church) the house of their treasurer was consumed by fire, and with it, all the papers and one hundred and sixty dollars belonging to the church. This was a heavy stroke on that poor struggling people, and he asks: "What shall be done? Can we get any assistance?" and request prayers "that the good Lord" may send them speedy relief.

GEORGIA.—Rev. Joseph Williams ("Uncle Joe,") reports twenty persons lately added to the church in two months, sixteen of whom were received on examination, and the remaining four from other denominations; and with a membership in one of his churches of nearly six hundred persons, says, "I think now that I have all the sinners that are in my congregation except the children."

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FROM TEACHERS.

One lady writes, "School is very pleasant and prospering nicely. I have commenced a night-school for young men who cannot get into day-school. It is something of a *cross*, after a wearying day in school, to go out again at night, when it would be so pleasant to sit down at home and rest; but we hope to see the fruit of *our* labour after many days.

"On Thanksgiving we had such a good meeting. . . We circulated the word through the children, that we would observe the day. 'Uncle Wash' conducted the meeting, and the congregation was larger than on Sabbath; every one enjoyed it."

Another lady writes, "Our school increases in interest as well as numbers. I think the attendance good, since a number, probably one-half, walk from one to three miles each day. Some are so eager to learn, that the only way we rest a moment, is to walk a half mile at noon for dinner. Then Charlie or George stands, with books in hand, looking after us most wishfully, as a river cannot be found, or a problem solved, &c, &c. It is hard, but we cannot help it. If we had a dozen heads and hands they would be all occupied."

SCHOOL HOUSE AND SCHOOL.—A lady teaching in South Carolina says, "My school house is roughly built of logs, without windows, chimney, or door. *Windows* we do not need at present, either for light or ventilation, for I can put my arm, and almost my head, out any where between the logs. . . . The floor is loosely laid, and the roof only slightly covered; so we have plenty of 'sky-lights.' For seats the boys have picked up 'chinks,' and a few slabs left from the flooring. A short bit of plank resting on two 'chinks,' is 'teacher's seat;' but they have promised to 'establish a chair' for me soon. . . . Cold days we move out doors and build a fire there. Wish you could see us under the pine trees hovering, or rather *shivering*, over a little fire, busy with our books the while. It makes my heart ache though, to see the poor bare feet trying to feel the warmth, and the rag of a shawl drawn more closely around the little figure; and, I think, if Christians at the North could only see us, they would surely not refuse to give us the little we need to make our school-house comfortable. . .

#### DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

Corfu ch. Presby of Genesee	\$10 00	Lexington ch. Presby of Ebenezer	284 15
South Third Street ch, Williamsburg, Presby of Brooklyn	14 77	Los Vegas ch. Presby of Santa Fe	1 00
S W Brewster, Hannibal, N Y, Presby of Oswego	5 00	Sab-sch of Watertown ch, Presby of Troy, 10 36	
Jno E Parsons, Presby of New York	25 00	A lady in Rochester, Minn	10 00
Geo D Moore, Presby of Newark	5 00	Grace ch, St Louis, Mo. (Memorial Fund)	25 00
Ch of Covenant, Presby of New York	2 00	First ch, Huntington, L I, Presby of Nassau	32 08
A dying gift of Miss Isabella M Miller, late of North Benton, O (Memorial Fund)	20 03	Memorial ch. Presby of Brooklyn	26 03
First ch. Hanover, N J. Presby of Rockaway	44 25	E Gere, Brooklyn, Pa. Presby of Montrose	6 00
Willie Platt, Seranton, Pa	1 00	Wm A Torrey, for Montclair ch, Presby of Newark, to support teacher	250 00
Thos Denny, Presby of New York	25 00	Ch of Covenant, add'l, Presby of New York	110 00
S S Hartzell, Presby of Chicago	10 03	Newark Central ch, Presby of Newark	88 28
Hoffman Miss'y Soc'y, Madison, N J, Presby of Orange	20 00	School at Louisburg, N C. Presby of Yaddin	2 03
Hon J W Edwards, Presby of Lake Superior	200 00	Central ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	52 69
Lane Seminary ch. Presby of Cincinnati	20 00	R P R, Washington, Pa	2 50
Succasunna ch. Presby of Rockaway	10 00	Salem ch, Presby of Waterloo	11 20
Fresh Pond, Presby of Long Island	7 00	Estate of Washington McClintock, late of Pittsburgh, Pa	445 00
First ch, Peekskill, Presby of Long Island	34 95	Malden ch, Illinois	4 25
Armagh ch, Presby of Blairsville	4 50	Sterling ch, Presby of Rock River	63 00
Centreville ch. Presby of Blairsville	3 50		\$2,703 79
W E Dodge, Presby of New York	50 00	<i>Money received and expended in the Field.</i>	
Covenant colored ch. Presby of New York	1 61	<i>Phy of Atlantic</i> —Charleston sch 19 10; Knox Plantation sch 2; Edisto ch 6; Salem ch 50	
Siloam ch. Presby of Brooklyn	9 16		29 60
Mrs M A Blair, Belvidere, N J	5 00	<i>Phy of Outaoua</i> —Bellefonte sch 1 45; Charlotte ch 9; Miranda ch 2; Love's chapel 1 49; Murkland's chapel 2 80; Hamilton ch 3	
Rev T J Evans, of Greenbush ch, Presby of New York	8 00		19 65
Fulton ch, Illinois	10 00	<i>Phy of Holston</i> —New Market sch 19; New Hope sch 50 ets; Greenville sch 7 65	
A Friend, Synod of Syracuse	5 00		27 15
First New Brunswick ch, Presby of New Brunswick	10 00	<i>Phy of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch and sch 12 45; Dalton ch 5; Williams sch 14	
First Mt Pleasant ch. Presby of Iowa	42 95		31 45
German ch, Mt Pleasant, Presby of Iowa	3 85	<i>Phy of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	
La Crosse ch, Presby of Chippewa	5 88		35 15
North La Crosse, Presby of Chippewa	2 12	<i>Phy of Yaddin</i> —Salisbury ch and sch 5 49; Oakland ch 2; Gold Hill 1 80; Statesville ch 2 10; Mocksville ch 8 25; Mount Vernon ch 36;	
Kingston ch, N J	21 56		59 55
First Newburyport ch, Presby of Boston	14 35	<i>No Presbyterial Connection.</i> —	
Portville ch, Presby of Genesee Valley	30 00	Amelia C H, Va, sch	
Hermon ch, Presby of Shenango	43 29		5 00
First Wheeling ch, Presby of Washington	45 00		\$207 55
Hopkinton ch, Presby of Dubuque	7 25	JAMES ALLISON, Treasurer,	
First ch, Morristown, N J	68 54	Lock Box 43, Pittsburgh, Pa.	
Second ch, Springfield, O, Presby of Dayton	75 00		
Bacon Ridge ch, Presby of Steubenville	10 00		
East Springfield ch, Presby of Steubenville	11 00		
Thorntown ch, Presby of Crawfordville	16 15		
An aged widow in the Presbyterian ch	310 60		
Salem ch, Presby of Erie	13 00		

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COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.

PRAYER FOR HOME MISSIONS.

WE have just passed through the Week of Prayer. It is an annual feast. All Christendom in prayer for the conversion of the world! We have also the "*Monthly Concert of Prayer for the Conversion of the World.*" In its terms this "concert of Prayer" embraces "Home Missions" as well as "Foreign Missions;" but too often, in practice, "Home Missions" are forgotten. We have in many churches also a "Sabbath-school Concert"—a monthly meeting devoted to prayer for the conversion of the children and youths in our Sabbath-Schools. And we are soon to have a "Day of Prayer for Colleges and other institutions of learning."

But there is no special day or occasion for prayer for Home Missions. We do not ask for the appointment of such a day—but we do plead for more prayer. Let prayer be offered for Home Missions daily at the family altar—more frequently in the sacred desk—and always at the monthly concert.

We do not bespeak the prayers of the Church for the Home Missionary, because he is an object of charity or of pity for his peculiar sufferings. He does not suffer more than his parishioners who have gone to the frontier to provide homes for their families. His wife endures no more hardship and suffers no more privations in leaving her home and friends in the East than the wives of many other men that go to the West.

But he needs our prayers;

1. *Because his work cannot succeed without the blessing of God.*

We pray for the Missionary among the heathen because we know all his efforts will avail nothing without the Spirit's influence. But it is equally true of the Home Missionary. His sole aim is to *save* men. He may indeed have no heathens within his reach; but well-disposed, courteous and intelligent men. But not one of them will be saved unless God interpose.



The Home Missionary is as dependent on divine assistance as the foreign missionary.

2. *Because his work is difficult.*

He begins with heterogeneous materials. The members of his church and congregation are strangers to each other. Their previous habits and modes of worship were different—their preferences are diverse. They have as yet no precedents—no established rules or modes of procedure. His hearers are mostly young and inexperienced. They shrink from the work which they have been accustomed to see their fathers perform. The best men are often the modest men—and the least modest are sometimes also the least wise. The missionary has all this material to unify and mould and wield. He has to shape the organism in all its parts, make a place for every one, and without seeming to do it, put every one in his place. This work is often most delicate and difficult.

3. *Because, Foundation work is often unappreciated.*

The foundations of the pyramids were laid under ground. One million and a half of dollars have been expended on a certain public building in one of our large cities, and the structure has not yet reached the surface of the ground. The Home Missionary is laying foundations. To change the figure he is now sowing the seed: the harvest will appear in due time.

A traveller from the East chances to spend a Sabbath in the West. In the morning he looks for the house of God. He finds only an unpretending chapel without a steeple or a bell. He enters and finds the congregation small, the Sabbath-school small. Perhaps there is as yet no organ—no hired singers. But he is pleased with the young preacher—he enjoys the sermon. At the close of the service he introduces himself, tells the young man he is hiding his “light under a bushel,” burying “his talent,” “*throwing himself away.*” As he warms with the theme, he offers his assistance to procure a call for the preacher from some large and wealthy church at the East, where his hearers and salary shall be made ten-fold what they now are. At length he returns home, and reports that the missionary churches are “small affairs.” Poor man! He forgets that the stately edifice in which he is accustomed to worship, and where he comes around the communion table with hundreds of others had just such feeble beginnings, was once an equally “small affair,” and that if some one had not laid the foundations well, the superstructure would never have appeared. The Home Missionary is reproducing in the West all that is valuable in the East, *with improvements.*

4. *Because, the missionary is in danger of losing his enthusiasm and “tone.”*

When a portion of an army has met with heavy losses in hard and unsuccessful labors, the soldiers lose heart and hope, and become, as it is called, “demoralized.” They are then sometimes reorganized, put under more skilful leaders and into a more successful corps, and their courage and enthusiasm are thereby restored.

So it is possible for a missionary to lose enthusiasm in his profession. He may become secularized, his salary is small, the spirit of speculation is rife,



why should he not buy a farm as well as his neighbors. His labors are very miscellaneous, his field is wide, he can find but little time for study; books are costly and frequently not at hand. He finds no "clerical association," in which every Saturday evening or Monday morning, he can compare notes on sermons just written or delivered, books lately read, or topics of interest to the Church or her ministry. Hence he is in danger of losing his freshness of thought, his mental acumen, his *esprit du corps*, and his high appreciation for his calling and love for his work. As he has less aid from others, so much more does he need divine assistance. Let us pray for him more; for his comfort, usefulness and success may be more dependent on our prayers than we have ever thought. And the knowledge of our sympathy and our prayers may cheer him in days of darkness and carry him triumphantly through his greatest difficulties.

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### "THE HILL COUNTRY."

A large section of country between the Missouri River and the Pacific Ocean, on our old maps, was marked as "unexplored regions" or the "Great American Desert;" and the impression made on many was that it was a vast, rainless, sandy plain like the Desert of Sahara. But now, that the country has been crossed by many emigrants, and is traversed by the Pacific Railway, enthusiastic tourists and interested speculators represent the country as capable of sustaining an immense population, citing, for example, the great productiveness of the Salt Lake Valley and the prosperity of the Mormons. The truth lies in the happy mean.

Parts, or the whole, of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Washington Territory, Arizona, Nevada, Colorado and New-Mexico—more than one-third of the whole domain of the United States is a mountainous region. Between the Rocky Mountains on the East, and the Sierra Nevada on the West is a vast, high plain, 1000 miles across, traversed by lateral and transverse ranges of lower mountains, spurs or branches of the higher ranges just named. These mountains catch the clouds flying East or West, precipitate their moisture mostly in the form of snow on their cold and stormy heights, and leave a very diminished rain-fall for the valleys. The melting snows furnish streams that run down into the valleys all summer and supply the waters of the Platte, Arkansas, the Rio del Norte, the Colorado, the Missouri, the Sacramento and the San Joaquin rivers. The valleys where irrigation is feasible, and the Salt Lake valley is one of the largest and best, will yield abundant crops. But these valleys are but a small portion of this great section of country. Hundreds of thousands of square miles can never come under cultivation but must be left in their native mountain state.

But these mountains are doubtless full of valuable ores. There is no reason to suppose that one hundred gold and silver mines may not yet be opened for every one there is now. These mines will continue to draw a great population to these rugged regions, whose wants will stimulate to their highest development every fertile valley that is capable of cultivation.

But the mountains themselves are likely to prove the *great pasture grounds* of the continent, to supply herds and flocks for the sustenance of the many cities on the Atlantic and Pacific slopes. From Abilene, Kansas, on the borders of Colorado and the great Buffalo range, cattle trains are made up for the Eastern market. To our surprise we learn that cattle support themselves on the mountain grasses throughout the winter without human care. Their number is rapidly increasing in Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana. A letter from the Pacific Railroad between the "Black Hills" on the East, and snow-capped mountains on the West, speaks of the "grassy plain" "7000 feet above the level of the sea," the old "range" of countless buffaloes. But "now," says the writer, "in our immediate vicinity there are no less than 50,000 head of cattle and almost innumerable flocks of sheep." Moreover, he adds, that in the mountains is an abundance of game; elks, buffaloes, bears, wolves, and antelopes. But these wild beasts must give place. Who knows but men will yet own on the Rocky Mountains herds of cattle and flocks of sheep as large as did the patriarchs, and herdsmen, and shepherds, become there as dignified and distinct a class as they were in Palestine of Old? And we may yet see a civilization there like what we read of in the Old Testament, towns, and schools, and churches in the quiet and fertile valleys; while sheep, and goats, and cattle, and horses may take a wide range over the more rugged portions and climb up the grassy mountain sides to find pasture. Where myriads of buffaloes and wild savages have roamed at will it is not too much to expect that civilized people will at length establish and carry on a prosperous and lucrative trade in providing distant markets with meat.

Even in the most northern latitudes of our public domain, as we approach the Pacific, the temperature is made perfectly delightful by the influence of the ocean. Says a minister writing of "winter in and near Puget Sound:" "I have seen two Decembers here. On the Atlantic side I have seen more disagreeable weather in a single week than in both these months." Speaking of the winter as a whole he says:—

I never saw more charming winter weather, but it did not last long. A variety of flowers bloomed in the gardens till after the first of January, and before the close the frosts had come and gone, and the flowers are beginning to bloom again. February is the month for "making garden," and many a one is now undergoing the process. Leaf-buds are visibly swelling, and peach blossoms, and perhaps pear and plum, will load the air with fragrance before the end of this month.

We propose to show in some future number of this magazine, that we are endeavoring to take possession of available, strategic points, where we mean to establish ourselves so that we can strike out in every direction as necessity demands, and the valleys and mountain plains become filled with people.

#### OUR RULES.

*Dear Brethren,*—I would hereby attest to you my sincere satisfaction and gratification because of the "rules" you have adopted and the "starting

right" remarks in January "Presbyterian Monthly Record." To my mind they have the right *ring*.

It is the only way justice can be meted out to those in your service, to

prevent imposition upon the Board, and secure fair treatment to all our missionaries.

The requirements will, also, have a wholesome effect upon our Presbyteries, in compelling more knowledge of the fields under their care, the peculiarities and wants of each, and a more equitable use of the funds of our people given to this cause. Much more encouragement will result to those who are faithful, and less temptation to those who are not. None of us are unhelpt by such stimulants to fidelity as these regulations ask for. Yours fraternally, T. B.

### REPORT FROM KANSAS.

ATCHISON, KANSAS, January 4, 1871.

Dear Brethren,—I was compelled to delay my report to you for the last quarter of A.D. 1870, by a severe attack of fever. Except the two Sabbaths I was confined, the regular services of the church have been kept up with increasing interest. Our communion takes

place on the next Sabbath, with an accession of twelve now acted upon by session.

When I came here two years ago, the membership was fifty-one, and now it is one hundred and thirty, and the congregation has increased about six-fold. For this all thanks to the great Head of the Church, for such a blessing upon means so limited.

We then had a debt of \$1500, which has been paid, although we have incurred another \$600 in purchasing the block in which our hall of worship is located.

We are hardly able to sustain ourselves without further aid from the Board; but in view of the enlarging fields and the exigencies that divert so much from the Board I have urged upon the session to start out as a self-sustaining church. We must grasp a little stronger the Master's hand and He will raise us up.

Last year we had no blanks in the report, and we intend to have none this year.

THE Presbyterian Board of Home Missions received in the months of November and December, 1870, \$73,590.38, which is less by \$27,387.41 than the two Boards received during the same time the previous year.

### RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN DECEMBER, 1870.

*Pby of Allegheny*—Sharpsburg ch 40 58; Leetsdale ch 57 47; Fairmount ch 8; Manchester ch 40; Providence ch 25 \$180 05

*Pby of Alto*n—St John Ger ch 5 50, of which Sabbath 1 50 5 50

*Pby of Albany*—Maryfield Central ch 5; Greenbush 1st ch 20; Hamilton Union ch 8; Maria-ville ch, add'l, 10 43 00

*Pby of Athens*—Gallipolis 1st ch 20; Nelsonville ch 7 27 00

*Pby of Baltimore*—Chestnut Grove ch 25; Westminster ch, Baltimore, a member for November 6, W R Woodworth 5 = 11 00; Cumberland ch 80 76; Frankville ch 5; Frostburg ch 3 50; Elkton ch 35 00 Hancock ch 10; Williamsport ch 70, of which Sab sch 20; Baltimore 2d ch, in part 50 290 26

*Pby of Blairsville*—Parnassus ch 78; Congruity ch 31; New Salem ch 83 15; Ebensburg ch 25 217 15

*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Spring Hills ch 10 35; Urbana 1st ch 68; Huntsville ch 9; West Liberty ch 9 61 96 95

*Pby of Butler*—Middlesex ch 20; Butler ch 62;

Jefferson Summit ch 6 02; Portersville ch 5 50; Zellenople ch 8 15 101 67

*Pby of Buffalo*—Calvary ch, Buffalo 150; Lancaster ch 50; Westminster ch, Buffalo 186 35; Breckenridge St ch, Buffalo 14 75 401 10

*Pby of Brooklyn*—Ainslie St ch, Brooklyn, mon coll 4 64; Central ch, Brooklyn 75; Siloam ch, Brooklyn 14 55; La Fayette Ave ch, Brooklyn, add'l, 249; Throop Ave ch 24 25 367 44

*Pby of Bloomington*—Pontiac 1st ch 28; Waynesville ch 12; Chatsworth ch 10; Clinton ch 79 25 129 25

*Pby of Boston*—Bedford ch 56 35, Newburyport 1st ch 20 76 35

*Pby of Carlisle*—Dauphin ch 21; New Bloomfield ch 12 25; Greencastle ch 54; Carlisle 2d ch 237 32; Shippensburg ch 67 31 392 08

*Pby of Columbia*—Canaan Centre ch 36 40

*Pby of Chester*—West Nantmeal ch 14; New London ch 128, of which, M N C 10, and Session House Sab-sch 8 81; Upper Octorara ch 145 31, of which Highland Sab-sch 5 62; Forks of Brandywine ch 45; West Chester ch 109 21; Upper West Nottingham ch 15 456 52

*Pby of Chillicothe*—New Market ch 11 36; Fall Creek ch, add'l, 11 16; Bloomington ch 36 67;



Buck Creek ch 29; North Fork ch 45 75; Washington ch 22	155 94
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Hixton ch 6; Chippewa Falls ch, from Miss Laura Allen 30; North Bend ch 10; Prescott 1st ch 17 43; Neshanock ch 25	88 43
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Springdale ch 39 92; Reading and Lockland chs 32; Loveland ch 24 14; Or- chard St ch, Cincinnati 23 32; Cincinnati 6th ch 13	132 38
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Fort Covington ch 104 75; Plattsburg 1st ch 34 50; Chazy ch 15	154 25
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Sugar Creek ch 4 30; Union ch 3 50; Spencer and Vandalia chs 13; Centre ch, Crawfordsville 50; Bethel ch 4 82; Dover ch 5 72; Wea ch 13 36	94 70
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Jordan ch 13 80, of which Rev C M Perry 5 00; Genoa 1st ch 41	54 80
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Lithopolis ch 14 45; Circleville 1st ch, from Mrs L Olds 10; Amanda ch 5	29 45
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Chicago 1st ch, in part 528 65; Linn and Hebron ch, add'l, 6; Chicago 2d ch 263 65; Olivet ch 50; Zion Ger ch 10; Will ch 15; Rev J Covert 50; Reunion ch, Chicago 10 48; Lake Forest ch, mon coll 50; Harvard ch 5; Eighth St ch, Chicago, mon coll 8 52	997 30
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Union ch 6; Pickneyville ch 3; Galum ch 3 30; Flora ch 15; Wakefield ch 5; Carni ch 16 25; Sharon ch 2 10; Enfield ch 4 15	54 80
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Marshalltown ch 30; Cen- tral ch 8; Scotch Grove 12; Bethel ch 5	55 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Perry ch 14; Greenville ch 13; Callensburg ch 28 50; Concord ch 11 70	67 20
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Cleveland 2d ch 900 36; Cleve- land 1st ch, in part, 671 95; Springfield ch 5 60; Euclid St ch, Cleveland 440 07	2017 98
<i>Pby of Coldwater</i> —Quincy ch	35 00
<i>Pby of Cortland</i> —Freetown ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Davidsons' River ch	6 60
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Elmira 1st ch 397 93, of which Sab-schs 20	397 93
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Potosi ch 5; Epworth ch 6, of which Sab-sch 3; Pleasant Grove ch 5; Sher- rel's Mound 8; Hopkinton ch 8; Masonville ch and Stations 25; Grundy Centre ch 15; Jessup ch 10	82 00
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —S Lyon ch 32; Ypsilanti ch, add'l, 100; Wing Lake ch 9 05; Smithfield ch 9; Springfield ch 16 30; Independence ch 16 65	182 40
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —New Jersey ch 16 20; Camden ch 5 25; Paris ch 5 30; Troy 1st ch 95 30; Oxford ch 56 90; Monroe ch 15; Dayton 3d ch, 91 35, of which Sab-sch 30 (memorial); Miami City 1st ch 100; Dick's Creek ch 19	404 30
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Chariton ch	21 00
<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Ashland 1st ch 46; Flemings- burg ch 13; Rev H P Thompson 5	64 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Cool Spring ch 14; North-East ch 47; Park ch, Erie 77; Belle Valley ch 9 23; Plattsburg ch 15; Meadville ch 85; Mercer 2d ch 30 20; Petroleum Centre ch 121 26; Tide- oute ch 28	426 69
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Clinton ch 105 08, of which Sab-sch 12 77 and Ladies' Sew Soc'y 40; Plain- field 2d ch 218 60; Elizabeth 2d ch 121 86; Cranford 1st ch 21 43; Pluckamin ch 50; Roselle ch 60; Baskingridge ch 112, of which 15 each from Baskingridge and Franklin Sab- schs; Lamington ch 102; Elizabeth 3d ch 132; Perth Amboy ch 109	1031 97
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Middle Creek ch 31, of which Sab-sch 11 60; Queen Ann Ger ch, add'l, 4 01; Fulton ch 16 80; Woodstock ch 10 50; Belvi- dere ch 76; Freeport 3d ch 123 75; Willow Creek ch 42 60	304 66
<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Jefferson ch	12 10
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Eel River ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Oak's Corner ch 10; Benton ch 32	42 60
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Wyoming ch	30 10
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Hamptonburgh ch 63 51; Florida 1st ch 39; Mt Hope ch 34; Goshen ch Sab-sch (District No 19) 20	156 51
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Upper Tuscarora ch 39 66; Clearfield ch 40; Birmingham ch 122 66; West Kishacoquillas ch 120; Saxton and Yellow Creek chs 26; Curwensville ch 44 90; Sinking Valley ch 87 09; Phillipsburg ch 4 52; Kyler- town ch 3 75; Bradford ch 2 17; Huntingdon ch 180	670 75
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Highland ch	6 10
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Fremont ch 53 38; Sandusky ch 34	87 38
<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Rogersville 2d ch	7 30
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Rev J D Mason 10; Musca- tine ch 50; Muscatine Ger ch 8; Summit ch 24 80; Fairview Sab-sch 12 50; Scott ch 5; Blue Grass ch 6; Hermon ch 3 55; Tipton ch 29 09, of which Sab-sch 8 67; New York ch 3 04; Brooklyn ch 10 70; South Ridge ch 5; Bethel ch 3 60	171 28
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Bentonsport ch 15; Ft Madison ch 21, of which Sab-sch 5 60; St Peter Ev Ger ch 13	49 00
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Georgetown ch 5; White Lick ch 4; Brownsburg ch 4; Edinburg ch 16 05; Highland ch 5 10; Bethany ch 29; Don- aldson ch 10 60	78 75
<i>Pby of Ithaca</i> —Ithaca ch	2 77
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Two members of Jersey City 1st ch 50 (memorial); West Milford ch 14 60; Carlstadt Ger ch 3	67 60
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Cherry Tree ch, add'l, 5; Elderton ch 12 17; Centre ch 5; Slate Lick ch 21 55; Concord ch 42; Brady's Bend ch 37 67, of which Sab-sch 15; Kittanning 1st ch, from a friend 10 00	1123 39
<i>Pby of Lansing</i> —Sebawa ch 3 57; Roxana and Sunfield chs 3 43; Homer ch 130; Marshall ch 63	200 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Southampton ch 83; Middle- town ch 20 34	103 34
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Slatington ch 25; Stroudsburg ch 71; Conyngham ch 20; Reading 1st ch, from Caleb Wheeler 62 50	178 50
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Weatherly ch and Sab-sch 38 36, of which Audenreid 4 80; Montrose ch 201 33; Mahanoy City 1st ch 77 46; Hones- dale 1st ch 726 50, of which Sab-schs 58; Great Bend ch 14 25; Coalville ch Sab-sch 52 03; Scranton 1st ch 440; Archbald Ger ch 3 1552 93	235 59
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Rushsylvania ch 13 02; Findlay 1st ch 152 07; Rev R H Hollyday 5; Blanchard and Pleasantville chs 45 50; Delphos ch 20	235 59
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —La Grange ch 8; Salem ch 3 15; Monticello ch 25; Monon ch 3 20; Rem- ington ch 7; La Porte 1st ch 6 50; Kenstand ch 15	67 85
<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Escanaba ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Amity ch 3 50; Pleasant Ridge ch 4; Bedford ch 5; Council Bluffs 1st ch 41 25; Sidney ch 7; Ponca ch 4 25; Red Oak ch 5; Helena ch 4 38; Avoca ch 12 20; Plattsmouth ch 26 85; Decatur ch 1 50; Lyons ch 2; Clarinda ch 14; Omaha 2d ch 40 60; Brownsville ch 30	201 53
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Mendham ch 135; Central ch, Orange 100; Orange 1st ch 75; Orange 2d ch 160, of which M C 85; Chester ch 34; German Valley ch 90 37	594 37
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Bloomfield ch 5 54; Mt Gilead ch, add'l, 1 46; Brown ch 6 31	13 31
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Grand Rapids ch 22 60, of which Beaver Creek 10; Weston ch 9; Tontogany ch 10 40	42 00
<i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Union ch, St Peters 43 75; Grapeland ch 5; Eden ch 2 65	51 40
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Stone Bank ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Constantine ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Deerfield ch 20; Youngstown ch 128 04	148 04



*Pby of Muncie*—Muncie 1st ch 12 70; Perrysburg ch 10 22 70

*Pby of Mattoon*—Pleasant Prairie ch 10 25; Charleston ch 20; Newton ch 5; Assumption ch 13 48 25

*Pby of New Albany*—Mt Lebanon ch 10; St John's ch 3 25; Leavenworth ch 13; Bethel ch 4 10; Oak Grove ch 4 40; Hanover ch 15 10; Charlestown ch 30 79 85

*Pby of Nassau*—Huntington 2d ch 18; Huntington 1st ch 160 75; Smithtown ch 15 193 75

*Pby of New Brunswick*—New Brunswick 1st ch 8 21; Hamilton Square ch 7; Kirkpatrick memorial ch 54 08; Kingston ch 75 26; Trenton 3d ch 100 322 55

*Pby of Newark*—Park ch, Newark 61 30; Roseville ch, Newark 83 63; Wickliffe ch 49 30; 6th ch, Newark 50; Calvary ch, Newark 43 01; Newark 1st ch 393 13; South Park ch, Young People's Miss'y Ass'n 200 885 37

*Pby of New York*—Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, in part 8,052 55; Ch of Sea and Land 28; Rutgers ch 797 69, of which Youth Miss'y Ass'n 160 15; New York 1st ch, add'l, 200; Phillips ch 98 85; Ch of the Covenant, add'l, 750; Brick ch, in part 3,108 51; Forty-second St ch, New York 108 72 13,144 32

*Pby of Niagara*—Porter ch 13 00

*Pby of Northumberland*—Grove ch and Sab-seh 115; Washington ch 15 58; New Berlin 1st ch 13 05; McEwensville ch 5; Williamsport 1st ch 267 37; Chillisquaque ch 14 50; Mooresburg Fem Miss'y Soc'y 6 50 437 00

*Pby of Neosho*—Rev E K Lynn 5; Pleasant Hill ch 5; Carlyle ch 31 25; Sugar Valley ch 1 75; Neosho Falls 1st ch 4; Osaga ch 5 70; Twin Springs ch 2; Fort Scott 1st ch 5 45 60 15

*Pby of New Orleans*—Rev O Reidy 10 00

*Pby of Newton*—Harmony ch 65 10; Stockton ch 16 56; Yellow Frame ch 23; Belvidere ch 170, of which 20 a special donation; Hackettstown ch 434 76, of which Sab-seh 30; Wantage 1st ch 28 70; Mansfield 2d ch 10; Knowlton ch 8, Hope ch 6 = 14 (Envelope system 6 months); Wantage 2d ch 50 812 12

*Pby of North River*—Smithfield ch 45; Bethlehem ch 53 42; Kingston ch 35; Poughkeepsie 1st ch, mon con 41 51; Marlborough ch 19 07 194 04

*Pby of New Castle*—Middletown Forest ch 51 44; Drawer's ch and Sab-seh 3; Christiana ch 20; Port Penn ch 38; Snow Hill ch 8 50; Lewes and Rehoboth ch 25; Delaware City 1st ch 40 212 94

*Pby of Ozark*—White Rock ch 9; Licking ch 3 12 00

*Pby of Ottawa*—Wyoming ch 5 50; Aurora 1st ch 11; Oswego ch 6; Brookfield ch 13 50; Gardner ch 10 46 00

*Pby of Osage*—Kansas City 1st ch 20; Greenwood ch Sab-seh 10; Rev S G Clark 10; Jefferson City ch 25 65 00

*Pby of Otsego*—Richfield Springs ch 25; Delhi 2d ch 27 07 52 07

*Pby of Oregon*—Eugene City ch 10 00

*Pby of Platte*—Weston ch 10 00

*Pby of Philadelphia*—Walnut St ch, in part 199 28; Calvary ch, in part 163; Tabor ch 18 55; West Spruce St ch, from G S Benson, Esq 100; 1st ch, a balance 250; 7th ch 213 60, of which Miss C H 20 946 43

*Pby of Portsmouth*—Red Oak ch 20; Ripley ch 50; Portsmouth 1st Ger ch 13 83 00

*Pby of Philadelphia North*—Germantown (Market Square), ch from Mrs N B Thompson 5; Newtown ch 68 97; Abington ch Sab-seh 67 30; Forestville ch 5 80; Jeffersonville ch 9, of which Sab-seh 7 57 156 07

*Pby of Peoria*—Brunswick ch 7 34; Elmwood ch 8 70 16 04

*Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Bethesda ch Sab-seh 211 75; North ch 107; North Tenth St ch 169 69; Arch St ch 351 04 839 48

*Pby of Potosi*—White Water ch 5; Marble Hill ch 10 50; Irondale 1st ch 10 25 50

*Pby of Palmyra*—Palmyra ch 15; West Ely ch 20 25; Brookfield ch 9 44 25

*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Temperanceville ch 14; Bellefield ch 10; Minersville ch 23 40; Lawrenceville ch Sab-seh 23 12; Hazlewood ch 43 08; Oakdale ch 7 68; Monongahela City ch 73 70; Pittsburgh 3d ch 710 20; Central ch Pittsburgh 385 1290 18

*Pby of Redstone*—Mt Pleasant ch 43 47; Pleasant Unity ch 18 23; George's Creek ch 10; Sewickly ch 24 77; McKeesport ch 28 12; Tent ch 22 20; Frame ch, from Jacob Dittenbach 10 156 79

*Pby of Rock River*—Millersburg ch 12; Princeton 1st ch 71 88, of which Sab-seh 7 80; Osco ch 3; Geneseo ch 11; Foreston Ger ch 24 121 88

*Pby of Rochester*—O-sean ch mon coll 3; Moscow ch 17; Rochester 3d ch 146 65 166 65

*Pby of Santa Fe*—Las Vegas ch (memorial) 20 00

*Pby of Steubenville*—Oak Ridge ch 11; Chestnut Grove ch 5; New Hagerstown ch 58, of which Sab-seh 10; Beech Spring ch 46 85; Steubenville 1st ch, add'l, 65 34; Steubenville 2d ch 313; Kilgore ch 10 509 19

*Pby of Saginaw*—Fenton ch 25 30; Flushing ch 38; Bay City 1st ch 116 17 179 47

*Pby of St Clairsville*—Antrim ch 7; Birmingham ch 6; Freeport ch 8; Little York ch 13 50; Crab Apple ch 27; Beallsville ch 14; Powhatan ch 6 81 50

*Pby of San Jose*—Los Angeles ch 5; Santa Barbara ch 20, of which Pastor 5 25 00

*Pby of Shenango*—Clarkville ch 37 22

*Pby of Schuyler*—Camp Creek ch 19; Camp Point ch 27; Brooklyn ch 6 50; Huntsville ch 8 50; John Knox ch 10; Fountain Green ch 7 73 00

*Pby of Syracuse*—Trinity ch, Manlius 36; Ly-sander ch 22 58 00

*Pby of St Paul*—House of Hope ch 139 05; Kingston ch 4; Litchfield ch 3; Westminster ch, Minneapolis 147 60, of which Sab-seh 19 36; St Anthony ch 11 40 305 05

*Pby of Springfield*—Union ch 7; Bethel ch 4; Lincoln ch 4; Westminster ch, Jacksonville 104 119 00

*Pby of Steuben*—Painted Post ch 10 00

*Pby of St Lawrence*—Gouverneur ch 93 67

*Pby of St Louis*—Rolla ch 20; Carondelet ch 19; St Louis 1st ch 500 539 00

*Pby of San Francisco*—Mendocino ch 50 00

*Pby of Sacramento*—Rev C D Roberts 10 00

*Pby of Troy*—North Granville ch, Fem H M Soc'y 25 25; Cambridge ch 18 50; Glen's Falls 1st ch 90; Ladies of 1st Troy ch 125; Waterford ch 142 87, of which Sab-seh 16 82 401 62

*Pby of Topeka*—Lanesfield ch 8 50; Auburn ch 6; Williamsport ch 4 18 50

*Pby of Utica*—Augusta ch 74 82; Lyons Falls ch 9 50; Camden 1st ch 5 89 32

*Pby of Union*—Spring Place ch 18 50; Washington ch 9 27 50

*Pby of Vincennes*—Farmersburg ch 2 70; Evansville ch 107 109 70

*Pby of Washington City*—North ch, Washington 13 36; New York Ave ch, Washington 137 90; Falls ch, Va 15, of which 5 from the Pastor 166 26

*Pby of Waterloo*—Aekley ch 50; Oxford ch 7 35; La Porte and Big Creek chs 5 62 35

*Pby of Wooster*—Hayesville ch 29 75; Wooster 1st ch 95 90; Canal Fulton ch 8 10; Savannah ch 25; Perrysville ch 30; Clearfork ch 5; Jackson ch 53 41; Dalton ch 54 301 16

*Pby of Warren*—North Henderson ch 46 32

*Pby of West Jersey*—Glassboro ch 3 25; Berlin ch 6; Bridgeton 1st ch 350, of which Sab-seh 40; Brainerd ch 12, of which Batsto Sab-seh 3 371 25

*Pby of West Virginia*—French Creek ch 36 41, of

which Centreville branch 4 80; Buchanan ch 6; Gnatty Creek ch 5; Bethel ch 5 50; Hughes River ch 6 73; Moundsville ch and Sab-sch 16; Fairmount ch 27; Grafton ch 10 112 64

*Pby of Washington*—Wheeling 3d ch 18 25; Wheeling 1st ch 39 45; Holliday's Cove ch 13; Upper Ten Mile ch 32 80; Cross Roads ch 18; East Buffalo ch 8 129 50

*Pby of Wisconsin River*—Richland Centre ch 4; Richland City ch 4; Fancy Creek ch 4; Lowville ch 5 31; Montello ch 10; Lodi ch, mon col 10 69, of which Sab-sch 2 27; Oxford ch 8 50; Harrison ch 1 75; Columbus ch 30 78 25

*Pby of West Chester*—South Salem ch, Ladies' West Benev Soc'y 105; Potts' memorial ch 54; Peekskill 1st ch 72; Gilead ch 10; Croton Falls ch 5; Yonkers 1st ch, mon con 14 77 260 77

*Pby of Winnebago*—Rural ch 15; Fond du Lac ch 50 32; Neenah 1st ch 73 17; Stevens Point ch 20 158 49

*Pby of Winona*—Fremont ch 7; Lanesboro ch 10; Albert Lea ch 21; Preston 1st ch 13 40; Lake City ch 17 80 69 20

*Pby of Westminster*—Columbia ch 181 70; Lancaster ch 190; Slate Ridge ch 20; York 1st ch, from Miss Jane L Cathcart 20; Hopewell Centre and Stewartstown ch 67 473 70

*Pby of Zanesville*—Rural Dale ch 7 65; Fairmount ch 3; Putnam ch 176 25; Massillon ch 45; Fredericktown ch 41 45; Salem Gr ch 8; Newark 1st ch 35 85, of which Sab-sch 20 85; Jersey ch 57 60, of which an individual 30 374 89

Total received from churches, \$41,463 31

**LEGACIES.**—Legacy in part of Daniel Murray, dec'd 36 25; Patterson Estate, Pittsburg, Pa 88; A dying gift of Miss Isabella M Miller, late of North Benton, Ohio 200 (memorial); Balance of a bequest of Mrs Martha Parks, dec'd, late of Akron, Ill 16 50; Bequest of James Byers, dec'd, late of Ohio 40 = 380 75; Less income tax refunded estate A Gregg 60 320 75

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—Rev L D Potter and family, Glendale, Ohio 10 40; Harriette Morey, Wassaic, N Y 5; Rev Jas Shaw, D.D. and family, Windham, Ohio 13; Mrs F Scott, Windham, Ohio 2; Mrs E J Thompson, Olivesburg, Pa (memorial) 5; Miscellaneous 15; Chas Wiggins, St Louis, Mo 100; Religious Contribution Soc'y of Princeton Theo Sem 21; "R M W" 10; Miss Sarah Wilson, St Thomas, Pa 250; Kate B High, Streator, Ill 100; Mrs C H Duffield, Ohio 1; Mrs E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 5; Miss E H Wakeman, N Y 100; Little Lizzie and Willie's Box 1; Henry Brewster, Shirleysburg, Pa 5; Mrs R B Boyd, New Wilmington, Pa 2; Mrs E C Kniffen, Chester, Pa 1; "Bexy," St Paul, Minn 5 (memorial); Mrs C F Martin, Norristown, Pa 5; Mary H Green, Mott Haven, N Y 10 (memorial); Rev G S Corwin, M D. East Pembroke, N Y 60; W N Blakeman, M D. N Y 40 771 49

Total in December, \$42,555 41

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#### CLOTHING.

1 box from Ladies Sewing Soc'y, Washington Valley, N J, valued at \$140 00  
1 box from ladies of 1st ch Cleveland, Ohio, valued at 200 00  
2 boxes from ladies of Peekskill ch, N Y, valued at 300 00  
1 box from Ladies' Aid Soc'y, Lebanon ch, Pa, valued at 100 00  
1 box from Spencer Creek ch, Pa, valued at 323 00  
1 box from St Georges ch, Delaware, valued at 181 32  
1 box from South Third St ch Williamsburg, N Y, valued at 500 00  
2 boxes from New Brunswick 1st ch, N J.  
1 box from Wilmington 1st ch, Delaware, valued at 141 00  
1 box from Goshen ch, N Y.

1 box from Ladies of Park ch, Erie, Pa, valued at 184 85  
1 box from ladies of 1st ch Allegheny, Pa, valued at 221 00  
1 box from ladies of Oxford ch, Ohio, valued at 185 00  
1 box from ladies of 2d ch Indianapolis, Ind, valued at 62 31  
1 box from Female Missionary Soc'y, Upper Octorara, Pa, valued at 185 00  
1 box from ladies of Lancaster ch, Pa, valued at 110 00  
1 box from ladies of Hollidaysburg ch, Pa, valued at 117 00  
1 box from ladies of Germantown 1st ch, Pa, valued at 285 00  
1 box from ladies of Mercersburg ch, Pa, valued at 175 00  
2 boxes from ladies of Park Central ch, Syracuse, N Y, valued at 142 62  
1 box from ladies of Chester ch, N J, valued at 82 00  
1 box from ladies of North ch, Allegheny, Pa, valued at 320 00  
1 box from ladies of North ch, Washington, D C, valued at 110 00  
2 boxes from ladies of Westminster ch, Elizabeth, N J, valued at 370 00  
1 box from ladies of 2d ch, Meadville, Pa, valued at 222 50  
1 box from ladies of Alexander ch, Phila, Pa, valued at 300 00  
1 box from ladies of Parsippany ch, N J, valued at 80 00  
1 box from ladies of Dobb's Ferry ch, N Y, valued at 350 00  
2 boxes from ladies of New Brunswick 2d ch, N J, valued at 350 00  
1 box from ladies of Cumberland ch, Md, valued at 141 00  
1 box from ladies of Hackettstown ch, N J, valued at 150 00  
1 box from ladies of Pluckamin ch, N J, valued at 75 00  
1 box from Walnut Hills ch, Ohio, valued at 263 00  
3 boxes from ladies of Brick ch, N Y, valued at 500 00  
1 box from 1st ch Easton, Pa, valued at 426 73  
2 boxes from Brainerd ch, Easton, Pa, valued at 530 00  
1 box from ladies of 1st ch Stamford, Conn, valued at 331 00  
1 box from 3d ch Elizabeth, N J, valued at 150 00  
1 box from West Farms ch, N Y, valued at 175 00  
2 boxes from 1st ch Brooklyn, N Y, valued at 900 00  
1 box from Young People's Soc'y State St ch, Albany, N Y, valued at 496 17  
1 box from Washington ch, Pa, valued at 313 60  
1 box from Dorcas Soc'y Arch St ch, Phila, Pa, valued at 202 00  
1 box from ladies of 6th ch, Phila, Pa, valued at 130 00  
1 box from Honesdale ch, Pa, valued at 275 00  
1 box from ladies of Germantown 2d ch, valued at 160 00

\$10,955 10

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LETTERS relating to Missionary Appointments and other operations of the Committee, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretaries, No. 30 Vesey Street, New York City. Letters relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, should be sent to S. D. POWEL, Esq., Treasurer—same address.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

And he said, so is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.—MARK iv.

### THE TWO PLEAS IN BEHALF OF STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY.

At a time when all Europe lay stagnant in the ignorance, sensuality, and semi-barbarism of the middle ages, an obscure Frenchman began to preach the obligation of believers to relieve the Holy Land from the cruel tyranny of the Seljook Turks, and pilgrims to the Holy City from the atrocities of which himself and numerous others had been the subjects and witnesses. With such zeal did he preach, that within two or three years France, Germany, Italy, and other countries were aroused; thousands of armed men gathered about him, and demanded that he would be their leader; the rich and the poor contributed great sums of money, garments, arms, and provisions; and thus was begotten the memorable First Crusade.

How incalculable the power of one man when his whole soul is enflamed with a great and worthy object, which appeals to the conscience, and interests the religious sympathies of our nature; when he devotes his utmost energies to infusing his aims into the hearts of the high and the low, of the young and the old, of women as well as men, thus moving the whole mass of society, and bringing all its hoarded resources to bear towards the accomplishment of them!

Such a spirit as this is what is now needed in each student for the ministry of the gospel. Poor deluded Peter the Hermit! After half a score of Crusades had maddened and impoverished Christendom, how utterly did their hard-won successes fail to secure the great ends in view! But the Church is now kindling with a fire of a far greater ambition; one far more reasonable, more worthy of our King, more suited to deeply enlist all the best impulses of our nature; one which has the word of God pledged for its success; one which will fill the whole world with holiness, and peace, and songs of rejoicing; one which will give to those who "have fought a good fight" "a crown of righteousness" in the day of the appearing of our Lord.

It is the labors of the ministry of the gospel which are the ordained means to accomplish these vast, beneficent, glorious results to the human race. The FIRST PLEA, then, which the Board of Education would present at this season of the year in behalf of the students for the ministry is that the servants of God would pray ardently that they may be men who shall go forth "in the spirit and power of Elias," to prepare the way of the Lord, to make his paths straight, and be heralds of the approaching joyful days when "all flesh shall see the salvation of God." Will not every pious reader join in this important prayer?

When God answers the prayers of his people, and moves the souls of numerous youthful servants to obey the call to preach the gospel, there devolves upon the Church a solemn duty, that of encouraging and sustaining them by contributions of pecuniary aid. Six hundred of them have heard the appeals from home and foreign fields for laborers; they are in our literary and theological schools; they re-



quire food, raiment, and other necessities of life, comfort and preparation for their high calling; they must have them promptly when promised.

This is the SECOND EARNEST PLEA at this season. Hundreds of churches *can* respond to it, with larger gifts than they have heretofore made. Such liberality is now absolutely needed. Many brethren *could* send us remittances which would send comfort to troubled and anxious young hearts. We ask a second question: Will you not help the Church, as God hath prospered you, with the means which are necessary in raising up laborers for the fields which are white for the harvest?

### LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF ALBERT BARNES.

While the death of some men might have made more noise in the world, there has been none of this generation which would affect a greater number of Christian hearts in every continent than that of him who wrote not long ago, with such serene faith, and in such touching language, as to the summit of the mountain which for "three-score years and ten" he had been climbing: "I have found it all that I hoped it might be, not rough, and rocky, and craggy, and barren; not covered with mists or clouds; not darkened with tempests; not broken up into ridges and ravines; but so calm, so peaceful, so smooth, so surrounded with cheering prospects, so covered with sunshine, so pleasant to the eye, and so filled with sweet sounds grateful to the ear, as to make me desire to linger there still, and to prolong the stay ere the descent must be made. But this cannot be. I have passed over the summit, and have come to the steep verge—the place where the descent must be rapid. The ascent was long, and slow, and gradual. The descent must be precipitous, quick, sudden. The termination is not far off—the *grave*."

It was the worn-out body which dropped so suddenly from that high summit; the *man* did not go with it.

"Life's duty done, as sinks the clay,  
Light from its load the spirit flies."

And heaven welcomed him whom the eyes of earth followed in his translation.

This is not the place to attempt an estimate of the characteristics of this eminent saint. But we may hold up for the consideration of our own hearts a few of those more remarkably useful and worthy of imitation.

Whatever Mr. Barnes' natural gifts, no man excelled him in the culture of what he possessed. He aimed to keep the body in the possession of the highest degree of health and efficiency by suitable, regular, timely and sufficient food, sleep, and exercise. He did not treat it like some ministers, as if it were some passive and worthless brute, which a man is to use or abuse, at all hours, and with no care for the requisitions of its nature. He took pleasure in answering the salutation of a friend with the declaration "I am perfectly well." Thus he was enabled to perform an amount of work which would have overwhelmed one less considerate and determined. He walked daily long distances; and fulfilled appointments several miles from his home, on foot, in all kinds of weather, in summer or winter. So, too, he disciplined his intellectual powers, with a soldier's precision and faithfulness, to habits of activity, promptness, obedience, and patience. Hence the amount and variety of work which he performed was to most men marvelous. But it was done simply by the union of careful forethought, definite plans, watchful self-denial and earnest will; keeping in view the principle, "Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: FOR YE SERVE THE LORD CHRIST."

Another element of Mr. Barnes' greatness was his wisdom in directing his efforts chiefly to the classes where they would be most beneficial and successful. Some

ambitious and far from wise men conceive that their mission, and that of our Church, is to reach the intellectual and more wealthy portions of society. They spend their time in efforts to straighten, cleanse, and make prolific tall old trees whose hearts are decayed, their boughs wilted and dry, and their bark scarred and scaly with the stings and gashes of generations of rodent or insect enemies. Mr. Barnes' life-aim was to simplify the scriptures, to direct his teaching to the youthful and the lowly, and to devote his most earnest labors, in imitation of his Divine Master and the inspired heralds of salvation, who were sent forth with His personal instructions, to scattering wide and free the benefits of the gospel in virgin soil, or in which was ploughed, and harrowed, and mellowed, and deepened by affliction, trial, and want. He says: "the principal work of my life, and that in which I have been more successful than in any other, I mean the preparation of Notes or Commentaries on the Sacred Scriptures, . . . I began merely with the design of preparing a few plain and simple 'Notes on the Gospels,' for the benefit of Sunday-school teachers." This "led to the *habit* of spending a small portion of each day in writing on some portion of the Bible, at such time as would not interfere with my regular duties as a pastor, until, to my surprise, I found myself at the end of the New Testament; and until, to my greater surprise, as the result has shown, more than a million of volumes have been sold in this country and abroad. in my native tongue, and in languages which I cannot read or understand." It was a sublime close to his life to be so much like that of his Master, who was welcomed to the conclusion of his ministry in the temple by the voices of children, and was assisted by an African to bear his cross; so much like that of the apostolic man, John Eliot, who first translated and published the Word of God in the New World; who, when he could no longer, on account of old age and infirmity, preach or make pastoral visits, sent for Indian and negro children and servants, and taught them by his bedside. The last sermon Albert Barnes preached was to the negro children of the House of Refuge in Philadelphia, whom he loved, for whose welfare he labored, playfully styling the place "his parish," after his resignation of the pastorate of the venerable First Church; and who, with the prisoners at the Penitentiary and the occupants of some of the public charitable institutions, were among the truest mourners over the death of "their friend." The last public appointment he attended, on the day of his death, was that of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the House of Refuge, for the inmates of which he had succeeded in having prepared some little kind unwonted luxuries for their Christmas dinner. The very last action of his life was to visit the widow and the fatherless in their affliction; and in performance of it he sat down in the house exhausted, after a long walk upon a stormy winter day, gave a few convulsive gasps, and was with Him whom he loved.

The one bequest in the will of a man who had been through life "his own executor" was designed to raise up faithful ministers who should continue to speak long after his tongue was silent. He directed the money which he had received from Princeton Theological Seminary, as a student, to be repaid, and a share of the income of his copy-rights afterward to be given annually to Union Theological Seminary, in New York. How many men of pecuniary means might thus find tongues to proclaim salvation to dying men, both while they live, and after they are dead.

The crowning lesson of the life of Albert Barnes was that it so eminently illustrated the great apostle's precept to his "own son in the faith," Timothy: "the end of the commandment is CHARITY, out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned." His heart and conscience and faith both burned within and shone without, in an extraordinary degree, with the flame of pure and

unfeigned love to God and love to man. In a critical period of painful religious controversy, he suffered long, and yet was kind; bearing, believing, hoping, in a spirit which excited the admiration and sympathy of all who beheld it. And in all his long ministry he has actively fulfilled his commission as an "angel of the church in Philadelphia." The eminent professor of theology (Rev. Dr. T. H. Skinner) who made an address at his funeral said that he had long been accustomed to hold up to students under his care the example of Albert Barnes as that of a model pastor of the flock of Christ. How worthy of imitation by us all was that extraordinary reflection of the "meekness and gentleness of Christ!" Now, where faith and hope have ceased, charity abides. He no longer sees through a glass darkly, but face to face. "THAT WHICH IS PERFECT IS COME."

ANY STUDENT WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED HIS APPROPRIATION will probably find by reading the Rules of the Board, which have been generally distributed, (and will be sent to any one who desires, on application), that either the notification of his recommendation has not been sent on with sufficient definiteness by the Committee on Education of his Presbytery; or else that the Professor's Report as to his studies, &c., has not been made, without which no appropriations are paid.

#### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN DECEMBER, 1870.

<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Annapolis ch	\$16 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia North</i> —Forrestville ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Lancaster ch	30 00	<i>Pby of P. Pittsburgh</i> —Mansfield ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —McConnellsburg ch 5; Green Hill ch 5	10 00	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Rockford ch 4; Delano ch 1; Long Lake ch 1	6 00
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Central ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —New Philadelphia ch 7; Steubenville 2d ch 52	59 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Second ch Chicago 606 33; 8th ch 63 20; Central ch, Joliet 69 65	739 23	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —First ch Troy, add'l	100 00
<i>Pby of Cuyuga</i> —Ithaca ch	53 00	<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Augusta ch	18 79
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —First ch Walnut Hills 21 84; 7th ch Cincinnati 73 70	95 54	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Brazil ch	44 06
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Valatie ch	28 00	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —New York Ave ch 5; North ch 10	15 00
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Wyandotte ch	4 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Brainerd ch, Elwood 2; Fairton ch 9	11 00
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Westfield ch, N J 37 06; 1st ch Railway 26 66	63 72	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Slateville ch 26; 1 50 from Rev T M Crawford; Hopewell Centre and Stewartstown chs 15	42 50
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —First ch North East 20; Titusville ch 86 10	106 10	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Preston 1st ch	10 54
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch 7; Elhanan ch 3	10 00	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Brownsville ch 11; Buffalo ch 23	34 00
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Berlin ch	12 00		\$8,379 32
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Seneca Falls ch 35; Benton ch 24	59 00		
<i>Pby of Grand River Valley</i> —Muir ch	5 00		
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Monroe ch	8 00		
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Sinking and Spring Creek chs	50 00		
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Princeton ch 6; Mt Union ch 2	8 00		
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —First ch Kittanning, from J E B	200 00		
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Orwell ch	2 00		
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Summit Hill ch, from P	20 00		
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Moriches ch	13 00		
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Sandusky ch	31 25		
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Hanover ch	54 80		
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Smithtown ch	3 00		
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —First ch, F Scott	2 72		
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Charlestown ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Chesapeake City ch	14 59		
<i>Pby of New York</i> —First ch New York	6091 22		
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Pleasant Valley ch	19 00		
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Newberry ch	40 50		
<i>Pby of Otsego</i> —First ch Unadilla 2 50; Stockbridge ch 2 72—5 22 less exchange	5 04		
<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Charleston ch	15 00		
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Lewistown ch 27 42; Henry ch 37 53	64 92		
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Clinton St ch 90 75; West Spruce St ch 50	140 75		
		REFUNDED.	
		L F B 26 75; S M 137 50	164 25
		LEGACIES.	
		Estate of Francis G Bailey 892 50; Estate of Jas Byers, late of Perryville, Ohio 5	897 50
		MISCELLANEOUS.	
		"W. H." Stamford, Ct 1; Rev H P Thompson, Catawba, Ky 2; H C Ward, Zanesville, Ohio 12; E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 3; Rev J H Trowbridge, Chicago, Ill 10; Mr Charles Wiggins, St Louis, Mo 50; Miss Sarah Wilson, St Thomas, Pa 250; "H S B and wife," Clearfield, Pa 1 20	329 20
		Total amount acknowledged,	\$8,779 27
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## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

**DEATH OF MISSIONARIES.**—We learn with much regret the death of the Rev. Joseph Owen, D.D., in Edinburgh, Scotland, December 4th, 1870, and of Miss Catharine L. Beatty, at Allentown, Pa., December 24th, 1870. Dr. Owen arrived in India in 1840, and remained there until February, 1869, when he left his station at Allahabad on a visit to this country. He spent some months with his wife's relatives in Scotland before resuming his journey, and was there attacked with dysentery, from which he did not recover. He was a man of more than ordinary scholarship, and the author of several works for the natives of India; but we enter here upon no account of his missionary course, as we hope to be furnished with a suitable memoir of him for one of the missionary periodicals. Miss Beatty arrived in India in 1862, and was there connected with the Christian girl's school at Dehra. Her devoted and successful efforts in this school for several years called forth the admiration of her missionary associates, but were interrupted by the illness which led to her returning to this country in October, 1869, and resulted in her death, after severe suffering, patiently borne. In their last days, both these missionaries were sustained by the blessed hope of entering into the rest that remaineth to the people of God.

**ARRIVALS OUT.**—Dr. D. B. McCartee and his wife, and the Rev. Messrs. Crossette and Fitch and their wives, arrived at Shanghai, November 5th, after a good voyage. The Rev. R. G. Wilder and his family arrived at Kolapore on the 21st of October, and their return was gladly welcomed by the native church and others. We regret to learn that the English Episcopal Bishop of Bombay had sent two missionaries of the Gospel Propagation Society to Kolapore. This proceeding cannot meet with approval. It forms a strong reason for having another missionary family sent by the Board to the Kolapore Mission as soon as practicable. Mr. Seiler would probably arrive at Kolapore in December.

**"ADDED TO THE CHURCH."**—Mr. Loomis reports the baptism of a promising young Chinaman at San Francisco, December 11th; Mr. Walsh, of a Brahman at Futtehpore, India, November 20th; Mr. Nassau, of a young man at Corisco; Mr. Blackford, of three persons at Rio de Janeiro, in October; and Mr. Chamberlain, of two persons at Sao Paulo in the same month. Would that it were in our power to report new members received at many other stations!

**THE NESTORIAN MISSION**, so long and so successfully conducted by the American Board, has now been transferred to the Presbyterian Board; and its respected Missionaries, with the exception of one who wishes to remain in his former relations, have been received under its care. Particulars will be given hereafter. Recently this Mission has been called the Persian Mission. It stands in pressing need of reinforcement.

**ENLARGED WORK IN SYRIA.**—At a special meeting of the Syria Mission, held at Beirut, November 22d to 28th, important measures were recommended to the Board, with a view to the increased usefulness of the mission. The forming of a new station at Zahleh, to be occupied by two men; the placing of three men in the Tripoli field, one of them to be a physician; the publishing of a weekly newspaper in Arabic; the securing for the Female Seminary a permanent basis, with an endowment; the procuring of certain buildings—these are among the things com-

mended to the attention of the Church, and calling for a considerable increase of expenditure by the Board over the amount expended for this mission last year. It is encouraging, indeed, to see so large a work calling for still greater enlargement. Particular information will appear hereafter in the missionary periodicals.

**THE PRINTING PRESS AT SHANGHAI.**—This press has been under the charge of Mr. Wherry for some time. Mr. Mateer, no doubt expressing the opinion of all the missionaries, writes that Mr. Wherry "has managed the business of the press admirably, and it is now in much better running order than when it came into his hands." His health, as we regret to learn, makes it necessary for him to remove to a more northern climate, probably to one of the stations in Shantung, where we trust he will regain his usual vigor, and where he can enter on missionary work of much importance. In the meantime, the brethren have made provisional arrangements for the superintendence of the press, involving the removal of Mr. Mateer to Shanghai for a few months. The Board hopes to secure the service of a layman with whom correspondence has been opened, to act as superintendent of this invaluable part of the work in China.

**MEETING OF THE SYNOD AT SHANGHAI.**—Ministers and elders connected with the Ningpo and Shangtung Missions met and organized as a Synod in October, and transacted much important business. As the minutes have not yet reached us we cannot enter into particular statements. As directed by the last General Assembly all the ministers and churches in China, Siam, and Japan are included in the Synod of China. At this meeting none were present from Japan and Siam, nor from Canton and Peking; but Dr. Nevius mentions that there were eight foreign ministers, seven native ministers, and nine elders in attendance, from the Presbyteries of Ningpo, Shanghai, and Shantung.

**LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWA MISSION.**—The Rev. Samuel J. Mills, of the Presbytery of Iowa city, has been appointed to this Mission. His acceptance of the appointment is hoped for, after he makes a visit to the Reservation. Measures are in progress to re-open the boarding school, towards the expense of which the Indian Department has agreed to make a liberal grant from funds for educational purposes under its direction. (This Mission, formerly known as the Ojibwa Mission of the American Board, will hereafter take the name, as above, by which the Indians are now commonly known, and which is in use in all Government papers.)

**MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.**—We regret to hear that the health of the Rev. S. H. Kellogg has become so much weakened, that his brethren think he should withdraw from his work at Futtehghurh, India, for a season, and seek its recovery by a visit to this country. Mr. Kellogg was extremely reluctant to leave his post, and had not then concluded to follow the counsel of his fellow-laborers. The marriage of the Rev. J. H. Morrison, D.D., to Miss Reuther, the daughter of a German missionary, and of the Rev. A. P. Kelso to Miss Bolton, sister to Mrs. Thackwell, are reported in the letters from India. Mr. Pitkin mentions that over fifty scholars are in the Sabbath-school at Bogota, and eighteen young men are in his Bible class.

**RECEIPTS, MAY 1ST TO JANUARY 1ST.**—From churches, \$60,430; from legacies, \$7,270; from miscellaneous donors, \$7,182; in all, \$74,863. Receipts in the same months last year, \$92,320, of which from churches, \$56,697.

**LETTERS RECEIVED TO JANUARY 17TH.**—From Alleghany Reservation, Seneca Mission, January 9th; Omaha, December 31st; Seminole, December 14th; Creek, December —; Navajo, December 21st; San Francisco, December 20th; Yokohama, November 24th; Shanghai, November 12th; Canton, November 10th; Al-

Lahabad, November 24th; Futtehgurh, November 21st; Dehra, October 29th; Saharunpur, November 8th; Lodiana, November 22d; Kolapore, November 16th; Beirut, December 8th; Abeih, December 7th; Benita, November 2d; Rio de Janeiro, November 23d; Sao Paulo, November 19th; Bogota, November 30th.

### RELATIVE CLAIMS OF HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This subject is one of much interest. Happily there need be no conflict of opinion concerning it. We insert here a part of a letter relating to it, which was recently written by one of the secretaries in reply to a letter from two young brethren in one of our Theological Seminaries.

" . . . Instead of following the order of your letter, or of giving a particular reply to each point, it may be better for me to take up the two main subjects presented by you.

"The question of the relative claims of Home and Foreign Missions evidently underlies a large part of your letter. It is a question which each of you will have to decide for himself. And it is altogether too large a question to be answered satisfactorily in a short letter, such as this must be. But I may offer you some things to aid you in answering it.

"Certainly there is work to be done at home—much work. More men of the right kind are needed in the ministry here. He is not a true friend of foreign missions who would disparage or undervalue the claims of our home field; the success of the work abroad depends largely on the piety of the Church at home. The same spirit of consecration is needed at home and abroad. So far, all are agreed. Most persons of enlightened views would also agree that the churches of this or any other Christian land cannot be expected to prosper long, if they neglect the work abroad; to neglect it is not the way to secure the Saviour's presence, without which no church can enjoy true prosperity. Most persons would also agree that the destitution of ministers in heathen, Mohammedan, and corrupt Christian countries is immensely greater than it is in this country. Think of a score of ministers for the 75,000,000 of people within reach of the city of Canton! Or to confine our attention to our own Church statistics on this point. We have the names of nearly 4700 ministers and licentiate preachers on one roll, not two hundred of whom are in foreign missionary service. Our Minutes of General Assembly reported one hundred and forty-one licensures last year; probably not one in every fifteen of these will go out as foreign missionaries. Recurring to the general state of the case on this point, you are perhaps not aware that the ratio of increase in the number of evangelical ministers in this country has for thirty years or more exceeded the ratio of increase of our population, and it is still exceeding; so that there is now one evangelical minister for every seven hundred to eight hundred souls. It is evidently not so much more men, as more men of the right kind, that we need here; and also a better distribution of these ministers. We must not think severely of our young ministers who do not offer themselves as foreign missionaries. Many cannot go for reasons of health, for want of requisite qualifications in other respects, or for having friends depending on them for support; and yet one is constrained to fear that many good brethren misjudge as to their duty. Otherwise, how can we account for it, that of those not so hindered so few go abroad?

"I might refer to other facts and views bearing on the subject, but it is not necessary; I mention these as among the things to be considered by you, dear brethren, and by others, when asking the question, Lord, what would thou have me to do? Let your answer come from his Spirit and Providence, and find you



waiting to comply with it, no matter where it takes you, and you will reach the right field of labor. Yes, and you will there find the blessed Saviour's presence and grace, making you useful and happy men. Thus waiting upon God, it is for you to decide the question of duty as to staying here or going abroad; others cannot decide it for you, however deeply they may sympathize with you."

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### WHITE AND COLORED MEN WANTED IN WEST AFRICAN MISSIONS.

From the letter referred to above, we insert a part relating to matters of much moment to the missionary work in Western Africa:

"As to the relative claims of our foreign missionary fields, just now Western Africa seems to be most in need of new missionaries, but more men are much wanted in the Syria Mission, and perhaps even more urgently in the Nestorian or Persian Mission. One or two more should be sent without delay to the Kolapore Mission. And so of other missions—see *Record* of January, page 19.

"As to Africa, it is chiefly the qualifications of health, mind and heart, and not complexion mainly, that we should consider in sending missionaries there. By all means let us send colored men, if we can find men of suitable qualifications, who are willing to go; but where shall we find them? For several years we have been looking for the right colored men for two important posts in Liberia without success, though aided during the last year by the oldest pastor of one of our Liberia churches, a man greatly respected, who was on a visit to this country. In regard to health, however, it is a mistake to suppose that colored men from this country are exempt from acclimating fever, and from early death too often, when they go to Africa. Three colored ministers whom we sent out from the Ashmun Institute a few years ago are all dead. Of thirty-three white and colored ministers sent to Liberia and Corisco by our Board since 1832, twenty have died. Of the whole number of these ministers, twelve were colored, and of these six have died. Of both classes, the cause of death in several instances was not connected with the climate.

"I need not go further into these statistics; but I may safely say that with a better knowledge in judging of the kinds of constitution likely to suit the African climate, and especially with greater care of health by the missionaries themselves, the risk of life has been much diminished. Examples of living many years are not indeed wanting. Our friend Mr. Bushnell has been connected with the Gaboon Mission, twenty-seven years; Mr. Walker, over thirty years; the late Mr. Mackey, with the Corisco Mission, about seventeen years; Bishop P——, with the Cape Palmas Mission, over thirty years. Many white men go to Western Africa on commercial business—too often to sell rum, and are to be found now in the islands of Corisco Bay, and on the Gaboon River, and elsewhere. I admit the risk, however; it is no doubt a serious question as to one's going to that part of the world, and requires the best consideration. With this, and with favorable circumstances, I think there is a reasonable prospect of living there many years. And in no other part of the world is missionary labor more needed; hardly in any other is it likely to meet with more encouragement. See Dr. Wilson's book on Western Africa, last chapter, published by the Harpers. See also an article on this general subject in the *Missionary Chronicle* of October, 1838. Both these works, I suppose, are in your Seminary Library.

"If, however, the way is not clear for your going to Africa. . . there are other places greatly needing your best labors; but I need not enlarge. This letter is already much longer than I expected to write. Accept it as showing my interest in your questions of duty. And may the Lord guide you both, and make your

way very plain before you! If you decide to go abroad, I want you to do so expecting to enjoy bright and happy days while you live near the Saviour and rejoice in his work. Of course you will meet with privations, hardships, discouragements, sorrows—yes, but grace will be given to you from on high. You will hope to be greatly useful. You will expect a blessed reward.”

### “SOME ACCOUNT OF THE YEAR'S WORK.”

The Rev. Hunter Corbett, writing at Chefoo, China, September 30th, thus reviews the labors of the year then ended. Few ministers of the gospel can speak of greater blessings in their year's work.

As this day closes the mission year, I am reminded that some account of the year's work should be forwarded to you. During the early part of the year it was our privilege to welcome the Rev. Mr. Eckard and wife as co-laborers to this field. We rejoice to have missionaries of every Christian denomination come to China, but are especially glad when they are sent out by the church we most love. At the beginning of the year Mrs. Corbett's health seriously declined. A trip of a few weeks to Shanghai and Ningpo was blessed to her recovery. She has since been enabled to labor daily in the schools, and conduct a Bible-class for the Christian women, and all who could be induced to attend.

Seventeen have been added to the church, fifteen on profession of faith and two by letter. One of the converts lives more than two hundred miles in the interior. He heard the gospel first from Mr. Mateer and myself during a trip we made four years ago. He says what he then heard remained constantly in his thoughts. He would have come sooner to learn, but could not leave an invalid and aged mother, who was wholly dependent upon him. Last fall his mother died. He came at once to Chefoo. After four months spent in learning the truth he was baptized. Another lives more than one hundred miles distant. A man from his village received a copy of a Christian catechism, prepared by Mrs. Nevius. The man did not feel especially interested in the book, and gave it to this young man. The reading of it made him think of death,—that all, rich, poor, and rulers, alike must die; if there is a Saviour for all who believe, and eternal happiness promised in the future, why might he not be a par-

taker? He gave the book to his father, who also became interested. He gave his consent for his son to come and learn the truth, saying if it proved what he hoped, he would come himself. The young man's stay with us as an inquirer has been very satisfactory. He was received into the church last Sabbath.

Another, forty-four years of age, has frequently heard the gospel preached for five or six years. He did not, however, regard it with any special interest until six or seven months ago. He seems to have formed a strong attachment for Mr. Wang, the assistant. Every time they met, Mr. Wang called his attention to the importance of his soul, and told him how much he longed for his conversion. He began to think if Mr. Wang felt so much concern for his soul he should feel still more. He began to read the sacred Scriptures, then to pray, and is now, I trust, one of Christ's little flock. He is a man of good education and great fluency of speech. If he develops into an active Christian we trust he may yet do good service in making known the truth to others.

One man, aged seventy years, received by letter from Tunchow, died during the summer. One of the porteurs visited him at his home, thirty miles distant, during his sickness, and says that he was strong in faith, and that he spoke of his departure with joy. There were no other Christians in his village. His daughter, with whom he lived, says that during his last illness he frequently called out in prayer to Jesus. We trust his soul is safe, although he was buried as a heathen. The total number of communicants is now fifty-eight.

We have been greatly encouraged by the unmistakable evidence which many of the members have given of growth in grace, and zeal in laboring to bring souls to Christ. Two women have regularly spent two days of the week, often more, going together, or singly, from house to house, and preaching Christ. They have met with much coldness and opposition at times, but have been received by many, and often



listened to with interest. They have persuaded numbers of women to come to church occasionally on the Sabbath, and to the Bible-class during the week. We call them our Bible-women, yet they are not employed by the Mission, and do not receive money for their labor. Many of our church members are scattered abroad, but, like the early Christians, they seem to have faithfully preached the word. One man, from a distant town, has recently been received, the fruit of one who became a Christian last year.

The Christians held a meeting some time since, and pledged themselves to contribute not less than the one-tenth of all their income to benevolent objects. They have adopted a rule that the first tenth shall be the Lord's, lest the Lord may not always get his due.

That no cases requiring discipline have come before the church is a cause of thankfulness. A church composed wholly of members so recently heathen is not like a church in a Christian land.

*(To be concluded.)*

#### THE BOLENDIA SCHOOL.

Miss Nassau, writing to the Board from Benita, West Africa, September 28th, 1870, gives a brief narrative of much interest—which we insert without abridgment.

The report of the Bolenda school for the year now ending, is one full of changes, with much to discourage, but thank God, with some beams of light and hope.

The work was in prosecution as usual, and with the usual numbers in the schools, when for reasons of health it became necessary in December, 1869, to resign the work for a time. I went to Old Calabar, hoping to return in one month. But not finding opportunity for returning, the absence was prolonged to three months. In April, the work was resumed in the English and Benga schools. But the pupils had scattered and were slow in returning, some not at all. Ten has been the usual number in attendance in the English school.

Added to the work of teaching in the school, we began in May a systematic visiting of the towns. Two afternoons in the week were thus spent by Miss C. L. Sneed, the Monrovia assistant,—in religious instruction in the towns; with the special hope of thus reaching the women. This effort proved increasingly interesting.

The same kind of work was undertaken by the Benga assistant, Ijahi; though his teaching in the school prevented him from devoting more than one day in the week. We hope these efforts have not been in vain.

The attendance of the people upon Sabbath and prayer meetings has not been so large as previous to my three months' absence, still there are a faithful few, and while there is no opposition to the truth, there is always a respectful attention to it, as spoken either in the mission or towns.

We feel encouraged by the evident progress of the few, who have been in regular attendance; even though our hearts are saddened by the indifference and dereliction of many, from whom we hoped much. God has not left us without some evidence of his blessing.

Gladly, in hope and prayer, would we have resumed the work another year, but the hand of God points to a different work; we stand where the devoted missionary sister labored and fell. Thus is God answering the prayer, "Take me, use me, as Thou wilt."

We thank you for the words of sympathy and kind encouragement that have come to us during the past year. Their blessed mission in sustaining our lonely hearts can be repaid by no earthly price. Believe me, respectfully, affectionately yours.

#### AN AFRICAN MINISTER'S REPORT.

We take the following extract from the report of the Rev. Mr. Ibia, of the Corisco Mission. He was educated in the mission school, afterwards licensed to preach the gospel, and about a year ago ordained as a minister by the Presbytery of West Africa. When Messrs. Menaul and De Heer left Corisco, Mr. Ibia was left in charge of the interests of the mission, and removed from his station on the mainland to Evangasimba on the island of Corisco—from which place this report was written on the 23d of last September.

*On Sabbath.* We have one service in the morning, another in the evening, and Sabbath-school in the afternoon. The attendance has increased since April. Instead of four or six individuals from towns, we have from thirty-five to forty in the morning, and about thirty or more in the evening. The Sabbath-school was not attended at



first, except by four Christian women, but the attendance has increased to over twenty from towns, which makes it, including our people who live here, over thirty. . . .

Two of our teachers in the Sabbath-school are females. It appears at present on the island that the females take more interest in the things of God than the men.

*On Week days.* Translating, writing, visiting, instructing one of the boys and the man that has lately offered to be a scripture reader, and giving oral instruction in school. Strictly speaking, we have no school, in comparison with what schools used to be. We have five boys learning. It is well-known that the people on the island and their children have for a good while acted in a way that has given the impression that they do not any more care for instruction of any kind whatever; unless we "except the instruction that causes to err." They are very eager it seems to receive this. The object men in this country have in view, that is, learning some English to trade with, can be accomplished by going to work in factories, rather than by going to school. . . .

Christian women have of their own will a prayer-meeting every Friday. Three other women have begun to attend it regularly. This is the first effort made by women, showing that they are inter-

ested in better things. May it be the forerunner of good things. There has been for more than a year and a half a visible change amongst them. They are now willing to have a change introduced. It is very pleasing to see them dropping foolish customs one by one, and reducing their knowledge to practice. It is true these things are not godliness, but they help men to lead godly lives better.

One aged man was received into the church during the year. Two women may be received next communion. The numbers of inquirers is seven. One of these is a Roman Catholic, a Benga young man that was educated in Spain. One man was suspended, and two more will be suspended from church privileges next session. Two others may be excommunicated at that time. . . .

Mr. Ibia speaks of Alongo, and of his former station, Mbangwe, and also of the out-stations at Ilobi, another island in the Bay of Corisco, and at Mangonwe on the mainland; but there is little to be reported. The work of the mission at these places as well as at Corisco is at a low ebb. More missionaries are greatly needed. The work of former years is in great danger of being lost, as the case now stands. In this latter part of the report, Mr. Ibia mentions that some of the natives, accused of witchcraft, had been put to death. Satan still reigns in this part of Africa.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN DECEMBER, 1870.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Hamilton Union Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Troy*—Stillwater and Mechanicsville Sab-sch 3; 1st ch Cohoes 11 19

19 19

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of New Castle*—Forest ch, Middletown 35 08; Drawyers ch 15, Sab-sch 13 = 28; Olivet ch, Wilmington 5; Chesapeake City ch 8 55. *Pby of Washington City*—North ch, Washington 24; New York Ave ch, Washington 143 87; Seventh St ch 75, Sab-sch 50 = 125

369 50

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Fall Creek ch 13; Marshall ch 5. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Lane Seminary ch. mo con 14 93; 1st ch Sab-sch Walnut Hills 24; 2d ch Cincinnati 19 35. *Pby of Dayton*—Venice ch 35 10; College Corner ch Sab-sch 7; Dicks Creek ch 8 66

127 04

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of St Clairsville*—Washington Sab-sch 25. *Pby of Steubenville*—Minerva Sab-sch 5; Waynesburg Sab-sch Missy's Socy 16; Corinth Sab-sch 3 50

49 50

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Wooster*—Lexington Sab-sch 10; Apple Creek Sab-sch 30; Shelby Sab-sch 10. *Pby of Zanesville*—Brownsville ch 24; Waterford ch 12 40; Muskingum ch 2; Sab-sch 12 = 14; Mt Vernon Sab-sch 67; 1st ch Jersey 9 50; Buffalo ch 24 83

201 70

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—First ch Centreville, Ladies' Socy 22 50; Sewickley Sab-sch, for Persian Missions 25, Bible Class 30 = 55. *Pby of Butler*—Concord Sab-sch 23; Plain Grove ch 31 40. *Pby of Clarion*—Brookville Sab-sch 30; Bethesda ch 7 75. *Pby of Erie*—First ch Conautville 15; North East ch Sab-sch 25; Park ch Sab-sch, for Tungchow sch 75. *Pby of Kitan-*

*ning*—First ch Kittanning 1120; Glade Run ch 50; Clinton ch 6 20; Indiana ch 176 05; Concord Sab-sch 12 10. *Pby of Shenango*—Pulaski Sab-sch 17 50

1,666 50

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Aurora ch, in part, to con Rev W W Howard L D 53 20; Port Byron ch 50 15, Sab-sch, for Shanghai sch 25 = 75 15. *Pby of Chemung*—First ch Elmira, Mrs Ayers 10. *Pby of Geneva*—Bethel Sab-sch, for Tungchow 19 20; Waterloo ch 70. *Pby of Steuben*—Painted Post ch 10

237 55

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Lower Path Valley ch 40; Burnt Cabins ch 10; McConnellsburg ch 38; Wells Valley ch 15; Green Hill ch 22 40; Mechanicsburg ch 35; 1st ch Carlisle 124 03; Fayetteville ch 14. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Mifflintown ch 134 35; Curwinstown ch 63 05; Birmingham ch, Warrior's Mark, Sab-sch 35

530 83

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Peoria*—Galesburg ch 50; Broadway Sab-sch, Knoxville 17. *Pby of Schuyler*—First ch Quincy 21 17. *Pby of Springfield*—Second ch Decatur 13 20

101 87

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Second ch Chicago 46 39. *Pby of Freeport*—First Ger Sab-sch Galena 8. *Pby of Ottawa*—First ch Sab-sch Aurora 6 54; Meriden Sab-sch 3 25. *Pby of Rock River*—Woodhull Sab-sch, to con Rev W C Magner Life Member 30; Morrison Sab-sch 25 70

129 83

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Fort Wayne*—First ch Sab-sch Fort Wayne 41 43; First ch Sab-sch Decatur 8

49 43

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Walnut St Sab-sch, Bloomington 27 05; Boxby ch 3. *Pby of New Albany*—First ch Sab-sch New Albany, to sup boy at Ningpo 50; Charlestown ch 16 96 05

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Linn Grove ch 12 80, Sab-sch 11, Family of J C Goudy, Missy Pig 10 = 33 80; 1st ch Cedar Rapids 26 56 60 36

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Iowa City*—Bethel Sab-sch 1 00

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Neosho*—Fort Scott ch 5 45

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—First ch Reimsen St 52 40; Amslie St ch 4 64; 2d ch Brooklyn, mo con 110 71; South Third St ch Williamsburgh 26 60; 1st ch Edgewater, S I 10 40; Geneva ch 27 10; Gerch Neanders 10, Sab-sch 4, A lady 5 = 19. *Pby of Long Island*—South-old Sab-sch, to sup child in Syria 23. *Pby of Nassau*—Hempstead ch 13 06; Astoria ch 30; Smithtown ch 12; Sweet Hollow Sab-sch 9 35 338 26

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Stoney Creek ch 35; Southfield ch 8 36; Wing Lake ch 5 64. *Pby of Grand Rapids*—Mainiste ch 8; Westminster ch Sab-sch, Grand Rapids 31 57. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Battle Creek ch 46 47. *Pby of Lansing*—Bennington ch 6 50. *Pby of Monroe*—Young Ladies' Sem'y, Monroe 20; Rev Theo Marsh, for Kolapoor 17 178 54

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Westminster ch, Minneapolis 7. *Pby of Winona*—Chatfield ch 21 75, G N Haden 10 = 31 75; 1st ch Preston 4 40; Woodbury ch 6 10 49 25

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Rev S G Clark 10. *Pby of Ozark*—First ch Neosho, Mo 6 16 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Third ch Sab-sch Elizabeth, for Dr McCartee's Asylum 50; Clinton ch Ladies' Sewing Soc'y, to con Rev John Ewing *Life Member* 40; New Providence ch 12; Westfield ch, mo con 70; 1st ch Elizabeth 722 73, W W Woodward to con Reuben van Pelt *Life Director* 100 = 822 73. *Pby of Jersey City*—First ch Jersey City 11 14; 1st ch Rutherford Park 40 21; Union Sab-sch, to con Miss Annie Machette *Life Member* 30. *Pby of Monmouth*—Cream Ridge Sab-sch 10; Locust Corner Sab-sch 6 18. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Central ch, Orange 100; Rockaway ch 87 85, Sab-sch 24 15 = 112; Dover ch, Mine Hill Sab-sch 5 25; 1st ch East Orange 12 97. *Pby of Newark*—Wickliffe ch 11 05; Calvary ch 78 71; 1st ch Newark 61. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Young Ladies' Seminary, Lawrenceville 8; 3d ch Trenton 100; Mt Pleasant Sab-sch 11 28; Lawrenceville High School, mo con 23 53. *Pby of Newton*—Newton ch 66, Washingtonville Sab-sch 10 83 = 76 89; Knowlton ch 17; Hope ch, envelope system, 6 mos 3. *Pby of West Jersey*—First ch Bridgeton. Intermediate Sab-sch 40, Infant sch for McIlvaine's sch, China 12 = 52; 1st ch Vineland 8 25 1,773 19

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—First ch Newburyport, to con Rev Charles S Durfee *Life Director* 100. *Pby of Hudson*—Florida ch, mo con 5; Bloomingburg ch, mo con 5; Chester ch 80; Washingtonville ch 34. *Pby of New York*—First ch New York 654 81; Brick ch 89 45; Fourth Ave ch 33 34; University Place ch 35 60; Brick ch Chapel 8 82; Scotch ch, R Carter & Brothers 504. *Pby of North River*—New Hamburg ch 7 56; Kingstons ch 70 12; Malden ch 25 52; Calvary ch, Newburg 46 09; 1st ch Poughkeepsie 41 83; Pleasant Valley ch 21 75. *Pby of Westchester*—First ch Peekskill, mo con 26 85 1,784 76

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Sacramento*—Rev C D Roberts 5 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—First ch West Chester 70 03; Waynesburg Sab-sch 33 33. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Montrose ch 5; Dillie Parke 5; Sab-sch Mrs Miller's Class, to sup child at Beirut 15 = 25; Orwell ch 8 10. *Pby of Lehigh*—Upper Mt Bethel Sab-sch 5 35; Portland Sab-sch 75 cts; Lehigh Valley ch 20, Sab-sch 10, A little boy, dec'd 1 88 = 31 83. *Pby of Philadelphia*

—West Spruce St ch, G S Benson 100; 1st ch Philadelphia 1,570 24. *Pby of Philadelphia North*—Forestville ch 3 85. *Pby of Westminster*—Hopedale, Centre, and Stewartstown ch 42; Chanceford Sab-sch 20 79 1,911 35

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Bethel ch 3; Montours ch Sab-sch 10; Mingo ch 29 55; Centre ch 41. *Pby of Redstone*—Little Redstone Sab-sch 12 65; Uniontown ch 146 75; Frame ch, Jacob Deffenburg 10. *Pby of Washington*—East Buffalo Sab-sch 9; 4th ch Sab-sch, Wheeling 27 16; Pizeon Creek ch 49 80, to con Wm Barkley *Life Member* 30 = 79 80 368 91

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—First ch West Liberty 8 92; Wyandot Sab-sch for Navajos 9 20; Rushsylvania ch 13 80, Sab-sch 1 85 = 15 65. *Pby of Huron*—Tiffin Sab-sch 2 29, Two little girls 1 = 3 29; 1st ch Sandusky 44 81 06

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Osego*—Second ch Delhi 30 27; Head of Delaware Sab-sch 20. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Chaumont ch 8 25. *Pby of Utah*—Waterville ch 13 50; Oriskany ch 10 82 02

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—Lancaster Sab-sch, to sup Hulbert Missy's sch, Syria 70; Westminster ch, Buffalo 83 54, George Howard 50, James D Sawyer 100 = 233 54. *Pby of Genesee*—First ch Oakfield 16. *Pby of Niagara*—Niagara Falls ch 35 59. *Pby of Rochester*—Ossian ch 3; Odgen Centre ch 60; Central ch, Rochester 159 17 581 30

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Chippewa*—First ch La Crosse 25 10, Sab-sch 11 = 36 10; North ch, La Crosse 3 90; North Bend Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Winnebago*—Fond du Lac ch 39 75; Oconto ch 16 55. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Oregon Sab-sch 8 75; Rockville ch 4 50 114 55

Total receipts from churches, \$10,929 59

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Francis G Bailey, Pittsburgh, Pa, less tax 892 50; Bequest of James Byers, Perrysville, Ohio 30 922 50

MISCELLANEOUS.—James U Sutton, Plumville, Pa 6 50; J M Hunting, Jr 2 50; Mary Foster 10; For Woman's Work, Tenth for Nov 10; Chas Wiggins, St Louis 100; Soc'y of Inq, Union Theo Sem'y 24 50; Miss Sarah Wilson, St Thomas, Pa 250; Rev B Condit, Terre Haute, part of the Five Million Fund 100; Thank-offering for Chefoo sch 30; Paul DuChailu 25; D M H 10; Eliza E Townsend 3; R Benner 25; "Cash" 15; W M Raymond, for France 10; L M Lee 5; Gen'l G Loomis 2 50; Missy's box of dec'd lady, Clinton, Ill 3 35; Rev J D Mason 10; Mrs A L Mason 5; Mrs B I; Mrs C E Kneiflin 1; Henry Brewster, Esq, Shirleysburg, Pa 5; A B T Ridgefield, for France 20; Mrs E C Junkin, for Creek Mission 10; C M Hamilton, Auburn, Mo 20; Mrs C F Martin, Norristown, Pa 5; Alpine M E Sab-sch, for "Miriam," of Safetta, Syria 12; J D L 50; Gen'l E B Babbitt, U S A 55; Rev B D Wyckoff, Memorial for native ministry in India 20; Ladies' Missy's Assoc'n, Elizabeth, N J 100; L Dillsberry, Pa 2; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; Walter and Eddie's mission box 5; M M Miller 2 50; M T Campbell 2; A friend in Lewistown, Ill 50; Rev H P Thompson, Catawba, Ky 5 1,017 85

Total Receipts in December, 1870, \$12,869 94

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870, \$74,863 79

Special contributions for the debt—Amount previously acknowledged \$38,360 00  
John E Parsons 50; North ch, Allegheny, C Arbutnot—Memorial Fund 1000; Arch'd McClure, Jr 100 \$39,510 00

WM. RANKIN, Treasurer,  
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## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

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### A NEW MOVEMENT

OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Presbyterian Board of Publication has entered upon a system which it is believed will prove helpful and satisfactory to the churches. It is the keeping of a stock of such books, aside from its own publications, as are required for the work of the Church in different departments of labor, devotion, and worship. The classes of books to be comprised in this additional stock are:

1. Bibles, Testaments, and prose and poetical versions of the Psalms of David.
2. Sabbath-school Library Books deemed by the Board suitable for use by our schools.
3. Samples of all Sabbath-school requisites, with a full stock of such as are in demand.
4. Approved Commentaries on the Scriptures.
5. Other books of special interest to the constituency of the Board.

The design is to make the bookstore of the Board a labor-saving institution for our people, and especially for those away from the great centres, where they may procure, with merely the labor of writing an order, what they would otherwise be compelled to find, if at all, only after much search and trouble. Probably the part of this arrangement which will interest the largest number of Presbyterians, is that which refers to the *Sabbath-school Library*. The cry for carefully selected books for the youth and children of our churches resounds on every hand. The outcry against the present modes of selection, and the fruits of those modes, preceding, and stimulating the other cry. That this is a matter of most deep importance all believe and say, but the remedy they do not provide.

Now we believe that the system inaugurated by the Board of Publication will fully meet the difficulties and satisfy the demands of the churches. The Publishing Committee of the Board—that which has the oversight of its literary department—has been ordered to take measures for the formation of an approved list of books suitable for the Sabbath-school Library published



by other houses; these will be kept and furnished to the schools, together with the books of the Board, on liberal terms. The books will be classified under the supervision of the Committee, so that those who order can state in general terms what they want, and a selection be made for them of books of the classes indicated by those ordering, which have been examined and approved by a competent body. Thus, if those charged with the procuring of the library are opposed to *all fiction*, they can order so many dollars worth of *true* books, for scholars of such and such general ages and mental calibre. Another can order a library composed one-half of true books, as biography, missions, didactic books, &c, and one-half of the best narratives, illustrating church history and scripture teachings. If yet another order a library excluding entirely what some would put first, it can be furnished; and all of the books guarantied to be good of their class.

Under this system no school need have a library unsatisfactory to those controlling the school.

The amount of labor involved in the examination of books issued for the use of Sabbath-schools is immense. It is simply impossible for nine-tenths of our Sabbath-schools to do this for themselves. The Board of Publication proposes to save the time, labor, and money of the schools, by making it a specific work to do this for them.

The plan embraces also the furnishing of ministerial and congregational libraries, matters worthy of far more attention than they now receive from the churches.

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#### NOTES FROM THE FRONTIER.

The Presbytery of Sioux City embraces the *twenty-five* northwestern counties of Iowa. All of these counties have a large population which is constantly increasing. We have *seven* ministers upon this wide field. A colporteur of the Presbyterian Board of Publication is there aiding, as best he can, to supply these wide-spread destitutions. He meets with strange people and strange adventures, as the following extracts from his note-book will show:

“On making inquiry for the best road to ———, I was told to keep south of the railroad, else I could not get through ‘Purgatory’—a terrible slough where I was told more swearing had been done than in all the other sloughs of Iowa put together. I got through ‘Purgatory’ safely without the aid of Bishop or Priest, and without swearing a word.

“Soon after I called at a house where I met rather a rough sort of a chap who asked what kind of books I had. When I told him they were religious books he said,

“‘D——n your religious books and you too. I don’t wish to look at them. Have you Tom Paine’s ‘Age of Reason?’”

“No, sir, I don’t carry such books as that. But I have some that are more useful, some that tell of a better world to which Tom Paine and other infidels wish to go when they come to die. You, sir, may *live* by your infidelity, but you cannot *die* by it any more than Tom Paine could. Study the Bible and learn what God has done to save you.

"Said he, 'If I had a Bible I would put it in the fire the first thing.'

"I replied that if he didn't repent there was where he would himself be put ere long, and then passed on.

"The next call I made was in what is called a 'dug out.' There I found a family able and willing to read, but with nothing to read. They were without even the New Testament. The woman evidently loved the Saviour. I read a portion of Scripture and then prayed with her. She asked if I could not give her little boy a Testament. I could not resist this appeal and so I gave her my own, the only one I had. That small gift made glad hearts in that 'dug out.' I left with her several tracts. These, '*especially* the doctrinal ones,' I have found very serviceable in the newly settled country through which I have passed.

"My next call was at a small boarded shanty, where I found a woman nearly seven feet tall, the mother of *three* little children, and of almost brutish ignorance. I tried to draw her out on the subject of religion, but that was a subject of which she *knew nothing*. Neither she nor her husband could read. I told her of a Saviour and that, if she loved and trusted Him, He would wash away all her sins and finally save her in heaven. But she seemed to understand nothing.

"That night I found one of the green spots of earth—a Presbyterian family with whom I spent the night. The next morning I met with a prim little lady who had been religiously raised, and was a member of an evangelical church in the East, but who had left her religion behind her if she ever had any. She *says* she keeps the commandments and that is all that is necessary. I said that is very good as far as it goes; but it stops short of the one thing needful. The young ruler had been doing the same thing from his youth up, but Christ said to him, 'One thing thou lackest.' God's word says, 'By the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified.' 'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.' I gave her the tract 'Jehovah, our Righteousness,' and left her.

J. S. L."

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#### TRACT VOLUMES APPRECIATED.

The following is an acknowledgment of a donation of eleven volumes of bound tracts from a minister, a home missionary in Minnesota. Would that our churches, by liberal contributions to our Missionary Fund, would enable us to make these donations, and more liberal ones than this, to all our needy missionaries!

"Your note and the books came yesterday. I am *very* thankful for them, as there is food for me for a long time to come in the books. I sincerely hope they will make me a better *man* and a better *preacher*. Besides, they will enable me to meet many of the errors so prevalent on this frontier. I wish every minister out here could get these books. *I could not* unless you had kindly given them to me. I think the Board has done well to bind its tracts so that they may be kept in a permanent form.

"I was once a colporteur of the Board, and *always* take up a collection for it."

## VITALITY OF THE PRINTED TRUTH.

There is something wonderful in the vitality—the power to live and act—of the truth on the printed page. A clergyman from Missouri who, in a ministry of thirty years, has learned what may be done by the distribution of books and tracts, has just given us an illustration of this fact.

About twenty-five years ago, he gave “Universalism False,” one of the publications of the Presbyterian Board, costing thirty cents, to a girl fifteen years of age. She was the daughter of a widow, who with her four children have since united with the Presbyterian Church. The girl married, and now lives in South Western Missouri. During the war their house and farm buildings were destroyed, and the family compelled to leave that part of the country till the war was over. But that book was still preserved though almost everything else was lost. In the early part of last summer the donor of the book, being in that part of the country on a visit, learned that this good lady, on hearing a gentleman, a near neighbor, expressing himself in favor of Universalism, handed him the book, requesting him to read it. He read it, and returned it acknowledging that he was convinced of his error. Religious services were held in the neighborhood, and this gentleman made a profession of religion and united with the church. He is now an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and also superintendent of the Sabbath-school. Thus after twenty-five years, the book that cost but a trifle is made in the good providence of God, to bear an important part in turning a soul from the darkness of sin and error, to the light of life and salvation.

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THE BARGEMAN AND HIS WIFE.

“Please, master, have you that little book about the bargeman that talked with a good minister, and that died so happy?” said a man to an agent of the Inland Navigation Mission.

“I have not at present, my friend, but if you will accept this little book, you will find it very interesting.”

“Thank you, master, but I think the tract about the bargeman is next to the Bible, the best book you can give to boat people. I should like to give one to every man on the canal that can read.”

“As you speak so highly of the tract about the bargeman, I hope you have gained some good to your soul by reading it.”

“Ay,” said the boatman’s wife, “we shall have reason to bless God as long as we live for it. At first I did not care to hear it read, but my husband liked it from the hour it was given him; and when I saw him one evening reading it with tears in his eyes, I thought it was a book that would do good. That evening, for the first time since we came out of the church as man and wife, we went down on our knees before our Maker. But we did not know a prayer; we could only cry like children—I am not ashamed to say it—and ask the Almighty to pardon all our sins, and help us to live better lives.

“The next day, and for many days after, my husband read a little more in that beautiful tract, and then one of your people gave us a Bible. I hope we now know how sinners can be saved. We bless God for sending his Son into



the world to die upon the cross for poor sinners; and I trust we have his Holy Spirit. But still," continued the poor boatwoman, "we greatly need instruction, and are thankful when we fall in with any one who will talk to us about the Lord Jesus Christ."—"Where is your home?"—"This boat is our home; but I often say to my husband, after he has read a chapter or two in the Bible, and our hearts are happy because of the goodness of our Saviour, that we can serve God as well, if he give us his blessed Spirit, in this little cabin as we could in a palace."

While conversing with these, I believe, pious boat people, I thought much of the language of the apostle, "The foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. . . . God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are; that no flesh should glory in his presence."

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#### PEACE FOR THE TROUBLED.\*

The Rev. Ray Palmer, D.D., of New York writes to the author of this little book for the inquirer.

"I rejoice that the Divine Spirit put it into your heart to write this book. It is a thing that was greatly needed. There was a want of something in a convenient form and directly to the purpose, which a pastor, or any Christian might put into the hands of an awakened person at the critical moment when the thoughts have become occupied with the question, 'Shall I live to the world or to God?' Plain, explicit, earnest counsel, at such a time, is of the greatest value. You have given this clearly, scripturally, and forcibly; and, what is a rare merit, concisely, too. I cannot but believe that it will appear at the last that many, by your words, have been led to the Saviour's feet. You seem to me to have dealt thoroughly and faithfully with the inquiring soul, and not in the superficial way which I fear has become more common than it used to be. If pastors would place these explicit instructions in the hands of those who are in some degree thoughtful in their congregations, I am persuaded there would be fewer unfruitful members in their churches. I trust that the book will be very widely circulated, and that long after you, my dear brother, are dead, you may speak by it effectually to troubled hearts. May God so give you a place among those who, having turned many to righteousness, shall be as the brightness of the firmament, and as the stars for ever and ever."

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\* Published by the Board; in muslin binding 25 cts. In paper 15 cts.

#### NEW BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS.

The Board of Publication continues to add to its Library for young readers books as cheap as they are good.

Its latest issues in this department are the following, which, it will be noticed, are illustrated each by *twelve finely engraved and printed wood-cuts*.

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A book presenting several narratives intended to impress youthful readers with the danger and folly of sin, and the wretchedness it is sure to bring in its train. Twelve illustrations.

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A volume containing several most interesting tales intended to impress the mind with the danger and wickedness of covetousness, and to lead the desires to heavenly treasures. Twelve illustrations.

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*Corresponding Secretary*, REV. H. R. WILSON, D.D., 30 Vesey Street, New York.  
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### WHAT IT COSTS TO BUILD A SANCTUARY IN THE WEST.

While in this section of our country—especially in our large towns and cities, it requires an expenditure of from \$50,000 to \$150,000 to secure an eligible lot and erect thereon a church building adequate to the wants of the people; in most of our new towns and settlements in the West, a lot may be had as a gift, and a building costing from \$1500 to \$5000 will satisfy the present necessities of the infant church, affording accommodation for from 200 to 400 worshippers. The donation of \$500 (on an average) from the Board, together with what can, with great self-denial, be raised on the ground, in most instances, is sufficient to complete the undertaking. In these communities, the denomination that commences to build *first*, secures all the money that can be raised on the ground. Hence the disadvantage of delay. We not only lose the *outside* aid which might have been secured, had we moved first, but we also lose what our own people have subscribed for the erection of the first church (Methodist perhaps), which leaves them, by so much less, able to build a house for themselves. The true policy is, “to strike for the first church building.”

#### THE VALUE OF THESE BUILDINGS WHEN ERECTED.

A good brother, one of our oldest missionaries in Wisconsin, says on this subject.:

“A church, without a house of worship, is a flock without a fold. This is hard upon the flock—it is hard upon the shepherd. The sheep that are not *decidedly* attached to such a flock, will leave it and go to those who are comfortably folded. The shepherd is disappointed, grows weary and discouraged, perhaps leaves the field, and the flock become scattered.

“Such was the condition of the little church at B. five years ago, when I came. It was a flock—feeble, poor, and *without a fold*. But through the aid of your Board, seconding and encouraging its own persevering efforts, it has now a beautiful house, all *complete and paid for*. Its history is the history of hundreds of other churches in the West—a long and weary struggle for existence, while houseless; victory at last, through the aid of your Board. I came within the bounds of (what afterwards became) the Synod of St. Paul more than fourteen years ago. *Then*, there was but *one* house of worship belonging to our church in all the territory of Minnesota and West Wisconsin. *Now*, we have nearly 100 church buildings, erected at a cost of from \$2000 to \$15,000 each; and *very few* of these could have been built without aid. They are *nearly* all the result of efforts put forth, by one or other of the two Boards of Church Erection, and in my recollection there is *not a single instance of a church dying out, for which a house of worship had been provided*. In some instances two churches have united and sold one of their buildings, and a few of the N. S. churches have gone over to the Congregationalists and taken their buildings with them. One church has for a long time been without pastor or supply, and but for their buildings, the flock would long ago have been driven to the winds, but there it stands as a watchman upon the shore of Lake Superior—still a Presbyterian Church, awaiting the coming shepherd.

“The work of Church Erection in this region has been a grand one for the cause of Christ. If (as is often said) the Board of Home Missions is the *right* arm of the



Church, surely that of Church Erection is the *left* arm. Let us hold up *both*." No man can work well with one arm.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, NOVEMBER 1870—Concluded.

<i>Pby of Ithaca</i> —Hector ch	\$7 25	<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Cedarville ch 18; Calvary ch	25 00
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cataine German ch 2	25 00	<i>Pby of Rockaway</i> —Boonton ch	100 00
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tord ch 5	55 00	<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Wellsboro ch	10 00
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<i>Pby of Oxford</i> —Hamilton ch	168 21		
<i>Pby of Ontario</i> —Geneseo Village 1st ch	7 63		
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ark 3d ch 31 13			
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Chester, Central ch			

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NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, DECEMBER 1870.

<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Portersville ch	\$41 00	<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Leetonia ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Albany</i> —West Milton ch 5; Greenbush	5 45	<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Fort Scott ch	
1st ch 5	10 00	<i>Pby of Newark</i> —South Park ch 105 26; Bloom-	180 89
<i>Pby of Burlington</i> —Camden 1st ch, a family	20 00	field ch 75 63	20 00
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Black Creek ch	13 00	<i>Pby of Onondaga</i> —Fayetteville ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —McConnellsburgh ch 5; Wells	10 00	<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Palmyra ch	3 00
Valley ch 5	3 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —North—Forestville ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Central ch	8 00	<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Iron 1st ch	100 00
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Enfield ch 5; Sharon ch 3	15 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Fourth</i> —Norristown Central	9 00
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Fort Covington ch	464 90	ch	120 05
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Chicago 2d ch	14 00	<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Mansfield ch	30 00
<i>Pby of Chenango</i> —Nineveh ch	173 90	<i>Pby of Rochester City</i> —Rochester 3d ch 70 05;	5 59
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Orwell ch 9 30; Euclid St ch,	172 31	St Peter's ch, Rochester 50	28 80
Cleveland 164 60	35 56	<i>Pby of Rockaway</i> —Succasunna ch, special	14 15
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Detroit 1st ch	10 00	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Elk Prairie ch	13 50
<i>Pby of Delaware</i> —Delhi 2d ch	102 69	<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Decatur 1st ch	4 75
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Winterest 1st ch	9 00	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Clayton 1st ch	2 56
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Elizabeth 3d ch 57 77; Clin-	10 00	<i>Pby of St Joseph</i> —Mishawaka	55 55
ton ch 16 92; New Providence ch 8; Pluckamin	600 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Steubenville 2d ch 50; An-	35 00
ch 20	22 10	napolis ch 10	15 40
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Georgetown ch	400 50	<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Pulaski ch	5 28
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Berlin 1st ch	2 00	<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Scotch Ridge ch	126 44
<i>Pby of Grand River</i> —Rome ch	17 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Greenwich ch 36 44; Bridge-	12 30
<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Cuba ch	35 00	ton 1st ch 90	5 44
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Phelps ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Washtenaw</i> —Saline ch	43 00
<i>Pby of Harrisburg</i> —Williamsport 2d ch 100; Har-	5 00	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Patterson ch	15 00
risburg 1st Sab-sch, Memorial offering 500	21 44	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Hopewell Centre and Stew-	
	5 00	artstown ch	
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Norwood ch	4 30	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Muskingum ch	
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Kittanning 1st ch 400; A	13 43		
friend, Rayne ch 6 50	28 00		
<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta, Ga	25 53		
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Summit Hill ch	21 44		
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Warrenham ch 3; Orwell	5 00		
ch 2 50	4 30		
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Janesville ch	13 43		
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Constantine ch	28 00		
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Clarinda ch	25 53		
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Newton ch	145 77		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Blairtown ch 21; Knowlton ch,	2,607 29		
Envelope system 6 mos 7	6 00		
<i>Pby of New York 2d</i> —South ch, Greenburgh 52 53	5 50		
<i>Pby of New York 3d</i> —New York, Fourteenth St	4 30		
ch	13 43		
<i>Pby of New York 4th</i> —Madison Square ch, in part	2,607 29		
2,260 08; New York West ch, in part 347 21	6 00		
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Smithtown ch	5 50		
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Charlestown ch			

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Interest on bond and mortgage 105; Legacy Jas  
Byrne, Perryville, Ohio 5; Rev Henry S Butler  
and wife, Clearfield, Pa 5; Wm M Raymond 20  
135 00

Total for December, \$6,183 83

NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.

# RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE NEEDY WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN DECEMBER, AND THE BALANCE FROM NOVEMBER.

CALIFORNIA.		MICHIGAN.	
Healdsburg Pres ch,	\$8 00	Grand Haven 1st Pres ch,	\$21 80
COLORADO.		Pewamo Pres ch,	3 00
Denver 1st Pres ch,	\$17 65	Wyandotte Pres ch,	5 00
DELAWARE.		Blissfield Pres ch,	5 35
Wilmington Central Pres ch,	\$67 10	MINNESOTA.	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.		Freemont Pres ch,	\$4 00
Washington 4th Pres ch,	\$103 51	Preston 1st Pres ch,	5 51
Washington, Com R A Stribling, New York Ave	100 00	Money Creek, Harvey Leete and wife,	5 00
Washington, a member of New York Ave ch	4 64	Lake City Pres ch,	4 70
Washington, North Pres ch,	23 00	NEBRASKA.	
ILLINOIS.		Plattsmouth Pres ch,	\$9 60
Morris 1st Pres ch,	\$12 60	NEW JERSEY.	
Greenville Pres ch,	15 00	Newark Park Pres ch,	\$43 47
Marengo Pres ch,	6 00	Columbus Pres ch,	7 00
Springfield 1st Pres ch,	89 03	Newark, Roseville Pres ch,	44 43
Hamlet Pres ch,	16 00	Clinton Pres ch,	33 65
Oscoe Pres ch,	3 30	Leeds Point Pres ch,	1 00
Decatur Pres ch,	33 22	Atlantic City Pres ch,	1 41
Willow Creek Pres ch,	20 21	Bridgeton 1st Pres ch,	175 00
INDIANA.		Newark 2d Pres ch,	80 00
Vincennes 2d Pres ch,	\$12 65	Succasunna Pres ch,	16 34
Upper Indiana Pres ch,	7 00	Atco Pres ch,	3 89
Bruceville Pres ch,	2 75	Berlin Pres ch,	2 79
Princeton Pres ch,	8 75	Waterford Pres ch,	1 75
New Albany 1st Pres ch,	101 00	Pluckamin Pres ch,	20 00
New Albany 2d Pres ch,	74 20	Roselle 1st Pres ch,	16 00
Frankford Pres ch,	20 00	Mansfield Pres ch,	4 00
Lexington Pres ch,	5 25	Lawrenceville Pres ch,	96 25
Fort Wayne 1st Pres ch, in part,	126 50	Rutherford Park Pres ch,	16 70
Bloomington Walnut St Pres ch,	29 50	Plainfield 1st Pres ch,	18 00
Evansville Pres ch,	27 15	Knowlton ch, envelope system, 6 months,	7 00
Fort Wayne 3d Pres ch,	9 83	NEW YORK.	
Charlestown Pres ch,	8 50	Callicoon Pres ch,	\$6 00
Pleasant Ridge Pres ch,	5 00	Shippery Rock Sabbath-school,	78
New Lancaster Pres ch,	2 00	Ossian Pres ch,	5 00
IOWA.		Buffalo, Calvary Pres ch,	77 00
Fairview Pres ch,	\$4 25	New York City, Harlem Pres ch,	33 25
Iowa City 1st Pres ch,	25 00	Southampton Pres ch,	20 64
Belleview Pres ch,	5 25	New York City, Phillip Pres ch,	1 00
Indianola 1st Pres ch,	5 10	Greenbush 1st Pres ch,	18 35
KANSAS.		Holley Pres ch,	7 00
Holton 1st Pres ch,	\$1 35	New York City, University Place ch,	1715 45
Neosha Falls Pres ch,	4 00	New York, Lancaster Pres ch,	34 00
Carlyle Pres ch,	4 25	Corfu Pres ch,	5 00
Ottawa 1st Pres ch,	9 05	Lakeville Pres ch,	14 43
Fort Scott Pres ch,	2 73	Ausable Fork Pres ch,	9 15
KENTUCKY.		Greenbush Pres ch,	10 00
Lexington 2d Pres ch,	\$118 75	Buffalo, Westminster Pres ch,	20 69
Louisville Walnut St Pres ch,	25 00	Augusta 1st Pres ch,	15 06
Maysville Pres ch,	29 00	Fayetteville Pres ch,	10 00
Flemingsburg Pres ch,	12 00	Nineveh Pres ch,	13 50
Maysville Pres ch, additional,	1 00	Brooklyn, Lafayette Ave Pres ch,	82 78
LOUISIANA.		Croton Falls Pres ch,	9 89
New Orleans, "Dee,"	\$5 00	New York City, Fourth Ave Pres ch,	125 21
MARYLAND.		Goshen Pres ch,	45 55
New Windsor Pres ch,	\$3 36	Patterson Pres ch,	10 23
West Nottingham Pres ch,	32 00	West Farms Pres ch,	33 50
Annapolis Pres ch,	21 00	Smithtown Pres ch,	5 00
Baltimore Central Pres ch,	28 57	Huntington 2d Pres ch,	20 00
Baltimore, "F J M," for aged minister,	2 00	Bergen 1st Pres ch,	99 77
Harmony Pres ch,	14 20	OHIO.	
Frederick Pres ch,	15 00	Martinsburgh and Mt Pleasant,	\$6 00
MASSACHUSETTS.		Glendale Pres ch,	72 15
Newburyport Pres ch,	\$20 84	Middletown Pres ch,	11 57
		South Salem Pres ch,	8 70
		Reading Pres ch,	9 00
		Rushsylvania Pres ch,	9 65
		Montgomery Pres ch,	7 50
		Deerfield Pres ch,	20 00
		Holmesville Pres ch,	5 00
		Truro Pres ch,	3 50
		Short Creek Pres ch,	8 50

New Athens Pres ch.	8 50
Wheeling Valley Pres ch,	5 00
Steubenville 2d Pres ch,	34 00
Orange Pres ch.	6 65
Stenbenville 1st Pres ch,	26 00
Perrysville Pres ch,	12 00
Clearfork Pres ch.	5 00
From J Byer's legacy,	5 00
Two Ridges Pres ch,	38 65
Vienna Pres ch,	8 25
Nottingham Pres ch,	31 00
Beallsville Pres ch,	9 00
Powhattan Pres ch,	6 00

## PENNSYLVANIA.

Faggs Manor Pres ch.	\$29 80
Philadelphia, Spring Garden Pres ch	108 50
Sunbury Pres ch,	46 00
Oxford Pres ch,	44 55
Philadelphia, Walnut St Pres ch,	154 73
Sewickley Pres ch,	60 00
Sewickley Pres ch,	4 70
Sharon Pres ch,	14 10
Wellsville 1st Pres ch,	13 00
Highland Pres ch,	14 06
Wilksburg Pres ch,	17 40
Minerva Pres ch,	4 21
George's Creek Pres ch,	11 00
Sandy Lake Pres ch,	2 00
Concord Pres ch,	22 00
North Butler Pres ch,	5 00
Freedom Pres ch,	5 90
Forest Grove Pres ch,	20 00
Little Beaver Pres ch,	5 50
Westfield Pres ch,	2 00
Cross Roads Pres ch,	20 00
Raccoon Pres ch,	23 60
Elderton Pres ch,	5 62
Miller's Run Pres ch,	18 25
Mt Pisgah Pres ch,	10 00
Black Lick Pres ch,	5 00
Round Hill Pres ch,	10 00
Franklin Pres ch,	50 00
Beech Spring Pres ch,	16 00
Columbus City Pres ch,	7 50
Leechburg Pres ch,	20 00
Harmony Pres ch,	18 00
Corinth Pres ch,	14 00
New Salem Pres ch,	12 00
New Salem Pres ch,	22 00
Leatherwood Pres ch,	10 00
New Brighton Pres ch,	18 50
Rehoboth Pres ch,	29 55
Sharon Pres ch, additional,	8 41
West Liberty Pres ch,	9 13
Jackson Pres ch,	21 10
Congress Pres ch,	7 40
Chester Pres ch,	4 00
Wayne Pres ch,	10 00
Ligonier Pres ch. Memorial Fund,	17 25
Pleasant Grove, Memorial Fund,	17 00
Laurel Hill Pres ch,	27 00
Wellsburg Pres ch,	10 00
Unity Pres ch,	30 00
Sernb Grass Pres ch,	23 00
Interest on Permanent Fund,	712 50
Philadelphia, Rev J W Dulles 10, Mrs Dulles 5	15 00
Southwark Pres ch,	13 00
Mt Pleasant Pres ch,	29 51
Pleasant Unity Pres ch,	7 00
New Berlin 1st Pres ch,	5 70
Upper Tuscarora Pres ch,	22 95
Tyrone Pres ch,	21 00
Cochranon Pres ch,	9 00
Milledgeville Pres ch,	6 00
Philadelphia, Northern Liberties 1st Pres ch	43 28
Philadelphia, Princeton Pres ch,	135 61
Freeport Pres ch,	26 30
Little Valley Pres ch,	22 00
Alexandria Pres ch,	25 50
Canonsburgh Pres ch,	27 00
Neshaminy Pres ch,	19 40
Saxton and Yellow Creek Pres ch,	20 00
Philadelphia, Bethesda Pres ch,	30 00
Monroeton Pres ch,	4 00
Gettysburg Pres ch,	13 17
Waynesburg Pres ch,	37 00

Newton, Hamilton Pres ch,	22 50
Fairfield Pres ch,	7 00
Pittsburgh, Legacy of W McClintock 500, less U	445 00
S tax 30, State tax 25 =	
Elkton Pres ch,	5 00
East Buffalo Pres ch,	14 75
Concord Pres ch,	7 00
Callensburg Pres ch,	7 00
Pittsburgh 3d Pres ch,	200 79
Berwick Pres ch,	5 00
Briar Creek Pres ch,	5 00
Edenboro' Pres ch,	20 00
Coatesville Pres ch,	21 00
Zelenople Pres ch,	6 60
Monroeton, Rev Edwin Bronson,	5 00
Contributions to pay mortgage on homestead of	
an aged minister,	150 50
Harrisville Pres ch,	15 75
Amity Pres ch,	14 25
Tarentum Pres ch,	16 75
Center Pres ch,	23 00
Millersburg Pres ch,	5 00
New Providence Pres ch,	7 00
Greensboro' Pres ch,	3 00
Franklin Pres ch, additional,	29 00
Oakdale Pres ch,	6 75
Perry Pres ch,	6 00
Rural Valley Pres ch,	12 25
Maple Creek Pres ch,	2 00
Lawrenceville Pres ch,	52 82
Pine Creek Pres ch,	18 25
Manchester Pres ch,	6 00
East Liberty Pres ch,	153 50
Waynesburg Pres ch,	14 00
Sunberry Pres ch,	8 00
Pleasant Valley Pres ch,	8 55
Cross Roads Pres ch,	7 00
Hazlewood Pres ch,	13 62
Interest on Permanent Loan,	93 75
Newberry Pres ch,	40 00
Philadelphia, Miss C H, of 7th Pres ch,	5 00
Philadelphia, Gustavus S Benson, of West Spruce	
St, Pres ch,	50 00
Chambersburg, Miss Sarah Wilson,	250 00
Philadelphia, Calvary Pres ch,	256 96
Summit Hill from "P,"	20 00
Harrisburg Pres ch,	173 30
Holidaysburg Pres ch,	31 30
Huntingdon Pres ch,	114 75
Broomall, Mrs B B Hotchkin,	2 50
Kittanning 1st Pres ch,	300 00
Special contributions for an aged clergyman	220 00
Portersville Pres ch,	3 00
Catasauqua 1st Pres ch, in part,	20 56
Chambersburg, Falling Spring Pres ch,	128 20
West Chester 1st Pres ch,	43 05
Philadelphia, West Spruce St Pres ch,	344 30
Philadelphia, Chas H Grant, Esq, West Spruce St	
Pres ch	25 00
Hopewell, Centre, and Stewartstown Pres ch	13 00
Orwell Pres ch,	2 00
Mt Washington Pres ch,	7 00
Industry Pres ch,	2 60
Beaver Pres ch,	18 25
Bridgewater Pres ch,	31 45
Lebanon Pres ch,	40 75
Pulaski Pres ch,	4 07
Bethlehem Pres ch,	14 00
North Butler Pres ch,	3 50
Scotch Ridge Pres ch,	2 86
Georgetown Pres ch,	10 00
James W Sutton,	4 50
Mount Carmel Pres ch,	10 92
North Branch Pres ch,	6 71
Ladies of Centre Pres ch,	26 25

## VIRGINIA.

Staunton, from "M S P,"	\$10 00
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## WISCONSIN.

Beloit 1st Pres ch,	\$29 00
Maunowoc 1st Pres ch,	4 20
Janesville 1st Pres ch,	21 43

Total, \$10,832 44

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# GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

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GIVE AND PRAY.—The present is the season when our corps of laborers—preachers, catechists, and teachers—is fullest, and while we would trust that none will forget to *give* for their support, let none fail to offer earnest *prayer* for God's blessing upon their work.

## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN DECEMBER, 1870.

Poland ch, Presby of Mahoning	\$30 00	Cumberland ch, Brownstown, Ill	4 00
Ogden ch, New York	15 70	Ch of Ossian, N Y	5 00
A Friend in Virginia	27 00	Centre ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	20 00
Bethel ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	45 00	Brick ch, Presby of New York	559 93
Shreve ch, Presby of Wooster	5 00	Westminster ch, Presby of Elizabethtown	100 00
Richard Edwards, executor of estate of the late Matilda Markham, a member of 3d ch Pittsburgh, through her brother Jesse Markham	1711 13	Schenectady ch, Presby of Albany	60 38
Rockville ch, Indiana	10 62	First ch, Quincy, Ill	41 00
First Congregational ch of Guilford, N Y	13 00	Hazelwood ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	18 56
A Hale, Esq., executor of estate of Mr Lyman, Illinois, for support of Rev A C Elder	500 00	Southfield ch, Presby of Detroit	6 92
Montours ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	18 50	Wing Lake ch, Presby of Detroit	5 56
Ch of Covenant, ad'l'l. Presby of New York	20 00	Monroetown ch, Presby of Lackawanna	2 00
Ch at Rockport, Presby of Rochester	31 16	Sab-sch Slippery Rock, Presby of Shenango	92
Sab-sch of Summerville, Pa	3 00	Catasauqua ch, per Rev C Earle	44 82
First ch Mt Sterling, Ill	9 55	Little Beaver ch, Presby of Shenango	11 34
First ch Columbus, Ohio	53 89	Rayne ch, Presby of Kittanning	6 50
H S B and Wife, Clearfield, Pa	5 00	Sab-sch of Shady Side ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	100 00
H S B and Wife, Clearfield, Pa, (Biddle Institute)	5 00	Paxton ch, Presby of Bloomington	6 00
First, Second and Third chs, of Springfield, Ill	33 23	Sab-sch children of 1st ch, Morristown, N J, for mission work in Georgia	25 00
Lawrenceville ch, Presby of Pittsburgh,	28 00	New Providence ch, Presby of Redstone	10 00
Plum Creek ch, Presby of Blairsville	30 00	Corry ch, Presby of Erie	17 00
Blairsville ch, Presby of Blairsville	62 55	Rev B Condit, Terre Haute, Ind	100 00
Mrs K R Wilson, Chillicothe, O	100 00	Union City ch, Pres of Muncie	12 00
Ch of Kingsboro', Presby of Albany	24 35	Columbus ch, Wis, Presby of Columbus	10 00
Fairview ch, Presby of Washington	5 25	Friendsville ch, Presby of Saline	8 00
Rev S W Pratt, Hammonont, N J	2 00	Unadilla ch, Presby of Washtenaw	5 00
Ch of Campbelltown, N Y	13 50	Knightstown ch, Presby of White Water	10 00
First ch, Cleveland, Ohio	112 50	New Salem ch, Presby of Blairsville	35 00
North ch, Cleveland, Ohio	9 75	Walnut St ch, Presbytery of Indianapolis	22 00
Central ch, Downingtown, Chester Co	10 43	First ch, Greenbush, N Y, Presby of Albany	17 50
Forks of Wheeling ch, Presby of Washington	86 00	Blairstown ch, Presby of Newton	22 00
H N Payne, Cincinnati, Ohio	5 00	Bethesda ch, Presby of Steubenville	5 00
Ch of University Place, New York, for support of teacher in S C	453 72	York ch, Presby of Marion	5 20
First ch, Philadelphia, Pa	435 02	First ch, Thompsonville, Conn, Presby of West Chester	25 00
Churches of Lena, Ill	4 00	Mechanicsville ch, Presby of Iowa City	11 45
Richmond ch, Presby of Steubenville	6 00	Ch of Monroeville, Ohio	9 00
Westminster, St Jo, Mo	20 00	Irish Grove ch, Presby of Illinois	5 20
First ch, Portsmouth, Ohio	132 00	Middletown ch, Presby of Carlisle	20 35
Sab-sch of 1st ch, Portsmouth, O, support of teacher	100 00	Pleasant Township ch, Presby of New Albany	6 00
A H Hoyt, Salina, N Y	2 00	Harrisville ch, Presby of Butler	13 00
C Hoyt, Salina, N Y	5 00	Amity ch, Presby of Butler	11 75
A R Clark, Huntington, O	5 00	Ch of Linn and Hebron, Presby of Chicago	10 75
Cazenovia ch, Presby of Onondaga	10 00	First ch, Council Bluffs, Presby of Iowa	29 50
Mattituck ch, Presby of Long Island	10 00	Mrs Mary Foster, Greensburg, Pa	2 00
S W Brewster, Hannibal, N Y	25 00	First ch, Honesdale, Pa	100 00
Ch of the Covenant, New York	10 00	Ch of Lawrence, Presby of Galena and Belvidere	2 00
Rev John McCutcheon, Presby of Huron	6 70	Blendon ch, Presby of Columbus	5 00
Rev John McCutcheon for Biddle Institute	5 00	First ch, Sidney, Ohio	14 00
Mrs Mary McCutcheon for Biddle Institute	5 00	Lancaster ch, Presby of Buffalo	15 00
Baskingridge ch, Presby of Elizabeth	35 00	Chili ch, Presby of Schuyler	4 01
First ch, Albany, N Y	84 00	Second ch, Altoona, Pa	58 00
Houston and Thompson St ch, New York	4 00	Central College ch, Presby of Franklin	3 00
Bethlehem ch, Presby of North River	18 00	Girard ch, Presby of Erie	24 29
State St ch, Presby of Albany	140 00	Libertyville ch, Presby of Iowa	5 40
Miss E Hamilton, 10th ch, Philadelphia, for Scotia Seminary, Concord, N C	10 00	Canton ch, Presby of Peoria	10 75
		Ch of Pataskala, Ohio, Presby of Pataskala	10 00
		Cooperstown ch, N Y, Presby of Albany	51 00
		Congruity ch, Presby of Blairsville	15 00
		Wm Matthews, Presby of New York	25 00
		J B Sheffield, Saugerties, N Y	100 00
		Seneca Castle ch, Presby of Geneva	22 67

Geneva ch, Presby of Geneva	2 00	Park ch, Syracuse, N Y	43 50
Hamilton ch, Presby of Oswego	10 00	Ch in Bath, N Y, Presby of Steuben	21 50
Roseville ch, Presby of Newark	47 40	Westminster ch, Utica, N Y	29 55
Ripley ch, Presby of Ripley	50 00	First ch, Amwell, N J	11 00
Brick ch, add'l, Presby of New York	30 00	Yates City, Presby of Peoria	12 00
Belfield ch, Presby of Pittsburgh, for Biddle Institute	229 81	Brick ch chapel, Presby of New York	13 18
Siloam ch, colored, Presby of Passaic	2 50	Joliet ch, Presby of Chicago	6 00
North Henderson ch, Presby of Warren	7 50	Ithaca ch, Presby of Ithaca, to sup teacher	100 00
Calvary ch, Presby of Auburn	5 34	Stanhope ch, Presby of Rockaway	1 00
First ch, Westfield, N Y	64 63	Muscatine German ch, Presby of Cedar	2 00
Westminster ch, Rochester, N Y	9 50	Painted Post ch, Presby of Steuben	7 00
The Pres and Congregational ch, of Vienna, Presby of Mahoning	12 10	Savannah ch, Presby of Lyons	1 75
Milesburg ch, Presby of Huntington	8 75	Coventry Congregational ch, Pby of Wellsboro'	28 49
Clinton ch, Presby of Elizabethtown	13 40	Rev J M Huntington, Presby of Nassau	2 50
Muskingum ch, Presby of Zanesville	5 00	Clarion ch, Presby of Clarion	10 69
Ch of West Union, Ohio, Presby of Portsmouth	10 00	New Rehoboth ch, Presby of Clarion	8 04
Camp Creek ch, Presby of Schuyler	16 00	Lebanon ch, Presby of Cincinnati	21 00
Central ch, St Paul, Minn	23 16	Richview ch, Presby of Chicago	12 00
Emmitsburg ch, Presby of Baltimore	20 00	First ch, Neosho Falls, Presby of Kansas	2 00
Ch of Atlanta, Ill, Presby of Bloomington	3 00	Memorial offering from Miss Agnes Crain, of Harrisburg, Pa, for Biddle Institute	50 00
A Chapman, Alquina, Ind	5 00	Stone Bank ch, Wis	2 00
Ch of Perrysburg, Presby of Muncie, for Biddle Institute	5 25	Ch of Martinsburg, Ohio	12 00
First ch, Hartford, Conn, Presby of West Chester	57 01	Annie McCandless, Wadesburg, Mo	2 00
Evansville ch, Evansville, Ind	22 40	Ch of La Grange, Ind	9 50
St Peters ch, Rochester, N Y	40 00		\$9,143 44
Westminster ch, Rockford, Ill	32 60	<i>Money received and expended in the Field.</i>	
Ch of Delta, Ohio, Presby of Maumee	7 00	<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Charleston sch 26 60; Knox	
West Bethesda ch, Presby of Maumee	15 00	Plantation sch 5 55; Edisto ch 13; St Andrews	
Rev G M Miller and family, for Biddle Institute	10 00	ch 5; Salem ch 6; St Paul 7	
Terry ch, Bradford Co, Pa	7 00	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte ch and sch 28 03; Mt	
Edinboro' ch, Presby of Erie	20 00	Olives ch 1 80; Love's chapel 1 20; Ben Salem	
Parnassus ch, Presby of Blairsville	22 00	ch 6 25; McClintock ch 10	
Jas U Sutton, Plumville, Pa	6 50	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Greenville sch 8 90; Morris-	
Neoga ch, Presby of Mattoon	11 35	town sch 13	
North ch, Allegheny, Presby of Allegheny	181 45	<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch and sch 56 20; Dalton	
Minersville ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	15 32	ch and sch 32; Chattanooga ch 27; Macon ch	
Fairmount ch, Presby of Allegheny	8 00	132 50; Williams sch 14	
Leetsdale ch, Presby of Allegheny	22 45	<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	
Waddington ch, Presby of St Lawrence	15 00	Lexington ch and sch 13 50; Salisbury ch and	
Snow Shoe ch, Presby of Huntington	5 75	sch 8 20; Mebanesville ch 5; Oakland ch 2 60;	
Moshannon ch, Presby of Huntington	1 85	Gold Hill ch 2 50; Lincoln Road ch 1; States-	
Petroleum Centre ch, Presby of Erie	10 00	ville ch 40 cts	
Wilkesbarre ch, Presby of Lackawanna	155 00	<i>No Presbyterial Connection.</i> —	
Fredericksburg ch, Presby of Wooster	65 00	Russell Grove, Va, sch	
Wooster ch, Presby of Wooster	35 34		
A mite	50		
Second ch, Steubenville, Ohio	50 00		
Buffalo ch, Presby of Butler	8 00		
Westminster ch, Presby of Butler	8 00		
Geo Burlingame, Marietta, Ohio	5 00		
A friend in Butler Co, Iowa	3 00		
Ch of Bordentown, Presby of Monmouth	5 55		
Seventh St ch, Harrisburgh, Pa	20 00		
Pine St ch, Harrisburgh, Pa	105 00		
Fifth ch, Mission, Indianapolis, Ind	10 00		
Second ch, Carlisle, Presby of Carlisle	16 51		
Spruce Creek ch, Presby of Huntington	100 00		
School at Louisburg, N C, Presby of Yadkin	3 00		
Oakland, N Y	5 00		
Virginia ch, Presby of Springfield	8 00		
Ch of Marshalltown, Iowa	12 50		
J H Woodruff, Davenport, Iowa	5 00		
Ch of Elmira, Presby of Chemung	45 00		
First ch, Alexandria, Va	28 30		
Piney Creek ch, Presby of Baltimore	9 45		
Newton ch, Presby of Mahoning	8 59		
Ch of Edwards, Presby of Rock River	2 00		
Ch of French Grove, Presby of Peoria	5 00		
Forestville ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	5 00		
Morgantown ch, Presby of West Virginia	10 43		
Ch of Warsaw, Presby of Genesee	25 00		
Mrs R D Boyd, New Wilmington, Pa	1 00		
Congregational ch, Sennet, N Y, Presby of Cayuga	18 84		
Ch of Cuba, N Y, Presby of Genesee Valley	20 00		
Union City ch, Presby of Muncie	1 00		
Fislerville ch, Presby of West Jersey	30 35		
Ch at Atlanta, Georgia	2 00		
Westminster ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	9 10		
The Memorial ch of Cleveland, Ohio	9 76		
First ch, Kittanning, Presby of Saltsburg	200 00		
Juvenile Missionary Soc of Greensburgh, Ind,			
Presby of White Water, to sup teacher	80 00		

*Money received and expended in the Field.*

<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Charleston sch 26 60; Knox	
Plantation sch 5 55; Edisto ch 13; St Andrews	
ch 5; Salem ch 6; St Paul 7	63 15
<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte ch and sch 28 03; Mt	
Olives ch 1 80; Love's chapel 1 20; Ben Salem	
ch 6 25; McClintock ch 10	47 28
<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Greenville sch 8 90; Morris-	
town sch 13	21 90
<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch and sch 56 20; Dalton	
ch and sch 32; Chattanooga ch 27; Macon ch	
132 50; Williams sch 14	261 70
<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	14 15
<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Greensboro' ch and sch 16 50;	
Lexington ch and sch 13 50; Salisbury ch and	
sch 8 20; Mebanesville ch 5; Oakland ch 2 60;	
Gold Hill ch 2 50; Lincoln Road ch 1; States-	
ville ch 40 cts	52 70
<i>No Presbyterial Connection.</i> —	
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## BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

### HOME MISSIONS.

The Receipts of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions for the month of January, 1871, amount to \$43,641.73.

Only one month more remains to complete the fiscal year. The Board of Domestic Missions was accustomed to close the year on the last day of February, and the Committee of Home Missions on the last day of April. The present Board has decided to close the year with the last day of March. Thus the next Annual Report will embrace the receipts of thirteen months, from the late O. S. Church, and only eleven from the late N. S. Church. But all persons and churches that desire to have their contributions counted in the receipts of the current year will please take notice, and forward the same before the last day of March.

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In our last number of this magazine, we gave some account of the "*Hill Country*," or the Rocky Mountain regions.

The Missionary work in all this country is very difficult and very costly. But we have taken possession of certain strategic points, to occupy for the present population in part, and in part to hold for the future.

In Nevada we have organized six churches; three of these in Carson city; Virginia city and Elko have church edifices and pastors. From the pastor at Elko, which is an important point, as trade and travel here leave the railway for the mining regions in the "White Pine" District, we have the following letter:

"A few days ago I went on a preaching tour to some of the mining camps between here and White Pine. I visited Eureka first, a town about eighty miles from here, and preached to a large number in an old tent. This is quite a lively town with good prospects.



"There are in it at present eight smelting works, and I was told that next summer at least twenty-one would be in operation. The inhabitants are composed of miners from all parts of the world, a goodly number of whom are Presbyterians, and desire to see a Presbyterian Church formed as soon as possible. One wealthy proprietor told me if I would come and build a church here next spring, he would take in hand to raise all the money I wanted. At Mineral Hill, the next town I visited, I found the people also talking about building a church and getting a minister of some kind. I preached in a large dance-house in this place to an audience of about one hundred and fifty, nearly all young men.

"From what I saw and heard in these two towns I think that a minister ought to be sent to them at once.

"He would be well supported I think. He could also take in White Pine.

"Palisade, a town west of Elko on the C. P. R.R., about thirty-five miles, I also visited. This is a growing town; already there is a large population there. I am going to take charge of this place myself along with Carlin and Elko, I shall go there and preach on Saturday evenings; Carlin on Sunday mornings, and Elko on Sunday evenings. One man can take care of these three towns perfectly."

In Utah we have one church, at Corinne, where the traffic and travel for Montana leaves the rail, here a church edifice has recently been dedicated to Almighty God, and the pastor supplies also Ogden, where the branch road leaves the main line for Salt Lake City.

In Wyoming territory we have two missionaries who supply five places. One occupies Cheyenne, whence a railroad to Denver and Greeley in Colorado. The other occupies Laramie, Rawlins, and Percy. At Rawlins a good woman from Philadelphia spent a Sabbath, a few months ago on her way to California, and her heart was so moved with the great needs of a church edifice there that she had one erected almost entirely at her own expense; and there the gospel is preached every second Sabbath and a flourishing Sabbath-school is sustained.

At Laramie there is no church edifice. One church in New York has offered \$3000 to the object—the people themselves will furnish lots and \$1000 besides. This will complete the work. Everything else is prosperous. Seven united with the church at the last communion, and the first infant that had ever received baptism in the place was baptized; and the father for the first time sat down at the Lord's table with the mother, who had been waiting and praying for this day for many long years.

Great coal-fields stretch along the base of the Rocky Mountains for hundreds of miles. At Percy most interesting religious services are held every two weeks—souls have been hopefully converted there already. At Carbon, a large mining region, and at other places, churches will probably be needed soon.

In Colorado Territory we began earlier, and have now churches at most of the principal points. The completion of two railways to Denver and their

extension beyond can hardly fail to attract a large population both to the mining towns and to the fertile valleys of the territory.

In New Mexico we have two churches. In Arizona none.

The prospect of the Southern Pacific R.R. through New Mexico and Arizona holds our attention for the present. And yet but little can be done till the railway is located, the Indians disposed of, and a new population flows in to take permanent possession of the country.

Much the same thing may be said of Montana, Idaho, and Washington Territories. We had one missionary in Montana. He followed the capital of the territory from Bannock city to Virginia city, and from the latter to Helena. But we could send him no helpers and at the end of two years he withdrew. But the probability that the Northern Pacific R.R. will be pushed forward rapidly, makes it important that we should immediately strengthen the force we already have in Washington Territory, whose salubrity of climate, fertility of soil, immense fields of timber for ship-building, are already attracting a large population; and send men also into Idaho and Montana.

Thus, it will be seen that we have already taken possession of the great gateways that lead into the vast unexplored and unoccupied regions of the whole Rocky Mountain, or we are proposing to do so, as soon as suitable men can be found.

The expense of sustaining missionaries at such places is very great. Their hardships are many—their immediate encouragements few. But the outlay of money and ministerial force—even where there is sometimes ultimate failure—is justified when we attempt to forecast the future, and guided by the light of the past, foresee towns, cities, and great populations that are yet to be found where wild beasts and wilder men now find none their “right to dispute.”

The wonderful scenery of that country—the curative qualities of its pure bracing atmosphere—and its numberless mineral springs, of almost every variety—cold, tepid, and boiling hot; and the mineral wealth, gold, silver, copper, iron, coal—must draw people thither, and miners, herdsmen, shepherds, farmers, along the railways, in smiling valleys and along the mountain sides, will need and perhaps welcome the messengers of the Cross whom we are sending forward to establish the institutions of the gospel and the kingdom of our Lord.

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#### REPORT FROM IOWA.

*Dear Brother,*—I send herewith my report for three months' labor under the Board. I was licensed in April last by the Presbytery of Vinton, and was assigned to the charge of the Shellsburg and Shiloh churches, within its bounds, for *six months*, application being made for the sum of fifty dollars from the “Board” for my support in

behalf of the Shellsburg church. The application was accepted by the Board, and I received my commission bearing date of May 1st. There was formerly two weak churches at this point, “O. S.” and “N. S.,” but they were united as one, last March. The united church is still weak, numbering perhaps forty-five members, but few of them being male members. They are considerably

scattered over the country, and much of my work has been in finding them out, and visiting among them. We have labored under considerable disadvantage hitherto in not having a church building. The church, though a weak band, however, has resolved if possible to build this fall, and we trust that by the blessing of Providence upon our own endeavors, and with some aid from the Board of Church Election, to build as soon as practicable a small but neat house of worship. Our members are mostly persons of limited means, but they seem united in their effort to build up here a branch of our Presbyterian Zion. I trust that it is a vine of the Lord's own planting, and that his blessing will crown its growth. The most cordial feeling exists in the united church, and it seems one not only in name but in spirit. I preach here each alternate Sabbath in the morning (the other Sabbath being spent at the Shiloh church). We have the use of the "M. E." church building. Have very good audiences, and good attention. In the afternoon I preach two and a half miles north of town at a school-house, where I have a crowded house. At this meeting I am enabled to reach a class of persons who usually do not attend the regular preaching of the gospel. We can but ask the blessing of God upon the feeble instrumentality thus used for the upbuilding of his kingdom. The time that I am not actively engaged in preparation for Sabbath duties, I spend in pastoral visiting, with, I hope, some good results. Shellsburg is a growing town on a new and important railroad from Burlington, Iowa, to St. Paul, Minnesota, with a good prospect of another road soon. A fine district of country around it, making it a business centre, thus renders it an important point to be held by the Church. Like all Western towns, "where Christ builds a church the devil builds a chapel." We have in our midst all kinds of *isms* and errors. Avowed infidelity and skepticism, besides the milder forms of Universalism and Spirit-

ualism. Some of them are bold and defiant in the expression of their opinions, and seek by every means to run down the church of God. We can but go forward contending earnestly for "the faith once delivered to the saints," and trusting in the strength of Christ. I feel that our power and success will lie alone in preaching the gospel in its simplicity and purity, and praying that the Holy Ghost will make it efficacious to the salvation of souls. Our next communion season will be in the fall, at which time we expect several persons to unite themselves with the church. In conclusion, I cannot but regard this as an interesting and important field of labor, which, with the blessing of God upon the means used, will grow into a good church. Having no other conveyance, I have had to do most of my travelling on foot, but I have felt amply repaid for any sacrifice in this respect, by the spiritual benefit that I have received, and with the hope of doing some good. This is the report for my first quarter of labor. The church is now within the bounds of "Cedar Rapids Presbytery," by the recent reconstruction. Praying the Divine blessing upon your labors for the advancement of his cause, I remain

Your brother in Christ, A. G. M.

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## KANSAS.

### A THRILLING ADVENTURE.

MEMORIAL PARSONAGE, W. Kas.

A missionary in Western Kansas sends us the following account of a day's work:

"Yesterday was one long to be remembered. I was called some sixteen miles away into W—— County, into a 'terra incognita' over one of the most slippery sideling up-hill and down-hill tracks, (for there were no roads, no fences, farms, friends or foes,) that I ever travelled, to a little town just started, to attend the funeral of a lady who had suddenly died there. N—— is its name. I was in danger of having



my pony fall and break my limbs, if not his own. I lost my way, and travelled, at least three miles too far. The funeral attended, I went to the hotel, rested, dined, and at two P. M. started homeward; but here a new and unexpected difficulty appeared. The wind in the morning was in my face, southeast, but now it had changed to northwest, and lo, a snowstorm was upon me. Faster and faster it came and dangers thickened round. I was almost blinded, wet, and cold, and my track was fast filling up, and the prospect of being lost and having to lie down and spend the night on the cold prairie boldly stared and severely threatened me. I had over eight miles to pass without a house in sight, and could at times see but a few rods ahead.

"I pressed my poor pony forward, up and down hill, across ravines, now wending this way, now that; but the Lord was merciful, and the longest road has an end. After two hours suffering in mind and body, a fence appeared, the storm abated, houses were seen, and at length I came to the river. Here I was detained in that cold northwest wind waiting for the ferryman, and he was detained by a team that had got into the ice. Finally I arrived at home soon after dark, took tea, read your *very welcome* and surprising letter, attended prayer-meeting, and then was called away before going home to attend a wedding, and at a quarter past nine P. M. was at home, feeling about seventy."

## THE DIRE NECESSITY.

### CUTTING DOWN APPROPRIATIONS.

A sufferer writes—"Three years ago, I came to Missouri to supply W—— Church till Brother B——, pastor elect, could come on. When through there, I was urged by S—— and N—— to go to B——. I said 'no.' They said 'go till another place opens.' I went. Before the year was out, removals and the failures of Mr. —— ruined the Church. S—— II——, and K—— said 'stay.' 'The salvation of the church depends upon your staying.' I was urged to accept a *good* field, but *stayed by advice of these men contrary to my own feelings* and judgment. During the year I organized the church at N. Y. S. About the close of the year began to prepare the way for organizing at L——, and was advised by S. and S., both Presbyterian Missionaries of the O. S. and N. S. Presbyteries, to include the church of II—— (O. S.) in my field, saying that I would not only have increased labor but expense also, and ought to, and would doubtless, be allowed advance of salary. I began and stayed in this county by the advice of others, when the field was really no field. Now the work has enlarged upon my hands until my parish is half the county. My people say they want no change, and that I am in good standing with all parties through all this field. I suppose I have actually '*taken root*.' And now, the Board propose to pull me up by the roots, this is hard. It is not right; and I protest!

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## STATE OF THE FUND.

The Board of Home Missions received during the month of January last \$43,641.73, reducing the debt to \$20,000.

\$140,000 will be required to carry on the work until the close of the General Assembly.

The fiscal year ends on the 31st of March, before which, it is hoped, the churches will forward their collections to secure their acknowledgments in the Annual Report.

## RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN JANUARY, 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Fourth ch Albany Sab-sch 209 63; Johnstown 1st ch, add'l 5; Galway ch 8 50; Bethlehem ch 28 29; Ballston Centre ch 32 30; Ballston Spa ch 42 77; Albany 3d ch 110; Stephenstown ch 12 60 449 09	Riley ch 7; Clifton ch 117 52, of which Ladies' Benev Soc'y 15; Rev C H Raymond 10; Spring- field 2d ch, add'l 50; Harmony ch 15; Honev Creek 1st ch 10; Dayton 1st ch 100; Springfield 1st ch 105 20 431 72
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Freedom ch 17 04; Plains ch 25 Sewickley ch 285, of which Sab-sch 25; Tarentum ch 39 52; Industry ch 10; Pine Creek ch 21 12; Valley ch 25 422 68	<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Colfax ch 8 06; Kossuth 1st ch 28 10; Hartford ch 8 50; Albia ch 10; New- bern ch 2 50; Knoxville ch 16 95; Promise ch 4 57; Winterset ch 12 49 91 03
<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Effingham ch 12 00	<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Detroit 1st ch, add'l, from Hon A Sheley 125, from George Peck 10 = 125; Hol- land ch, Detroit 12 147 00
<i>Pby of Athens</i> —Barlow and Watertown chs 27 00	<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Manchester ch 7 84; Bellevue ch 6 08; Independence 1st ch 15 28 92
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Westminster ch, Balt. from Mrs Mary Woods 100, a member for December 6, Mrs Col Larned 5 = 111; Port Deposit ch 24 54; Havre de Grace ch Sab-sch 15; New Windsor ch 5 52 156 06	<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Murfreesville ch 13 45; Ebe- nezer ch 32 13; Union Grove ch 15 50; Fal- mouth ch 6 63; Greenup Union ch 12 75; Greenupsburg ch 22 30 102 73
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Howard St ch, San Francisco 25; Big Valley ch 10 35 00	<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —New Providence ch 16; Liberty Corner ch 40; Westminster ch, Elizabeth, add'l 131 33 (memorial); Woodbridge 1st ch 75; Springfield ch 29 22; Rahway 2d ch 200 491 55
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Cross Roads ch 44 31; Union ch 31 84; Pleasant Grove ch 24; Ligonier ch 28 50; Murrysburg ch 31 56; Beulah ch 135; Unity ch 62 357 21	<i>Pby of Emporia</i> —Wichita ch 10 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Piper Creek ch 15 60; Knox- ville, Broadway ch Sab-sch 17; Middleport ch, add'l 1; Champaign 1st ch 28 60 62 20	<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Franklin ch 40; Harmonsburg ch 7 75; Ebenezer ch 2 50; Westminster ch 18; Pittsfield ch 15; Garland ch 10; Erie 1st ch 50 143 25
<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —New Brighton 1st ch 101 50	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Fort Wayne 3d ch 14 25
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Patterson, Forest, and Mt Blanchard chs 25; Wyandot ch 3 28 00	<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Sumner ch 5 50
<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Silver Lake ch 9; Nicholas ch 50 59 00	<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Marengo ch 22 00
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Brooklyn 1st ch, Ransom St 72 10; Miss'y Soc'y of Throop Ave Mission Sab- sch 100; Brooklyn, E D Ger ch Sab-sch 26 198 10	<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Almond ch 22 65
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Lancaster ch, add'l 32; Ripley ch 35; Jamestown ch 42, of which Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y 15 109 09	<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Geneva 1st ch, in part 489 09; United Phelps ch 100; Seneca ch 192; Seneca Falls ch Sab-sch Ass'n 62 50; Gorham ch 7; Hopewell ch 5; Penn Yan ch 168 54; Ithaca 1st ch 425 1509 13
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Concord ch 11 25; North Butler ch 7 25 15 50	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Port Jervis ch 32; Monticello ch 29 01; West Town ch 60; Chester ch 77 193 01
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Mercersburg ch 100, of which Fem Dom Miss'y Soc'y 38; Lower Marsh Creek ch 43; Landisburg ch 15; Upper Path Valley ch 53 75; Gettysburg ch Sab-sch 24 06; Fall- ing Spring ch 204 18 439 99	<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —East Freedom ch 18 20; Bellefonte ch 450; Sinking Valley ch, add'l 7 91; Alexandria ch 61; Milroy ch 80; Wil- liamsburg ch 54, of which Sab-sch 14 50; New- town Hamilton ch 15; Waynesburg ch 68 70; Tyrone ch 24; Peru ch 8 50; Martinsburg ch 9 20 795 51
<i>Pby of Cauto</i> —Zion Ger ch 5; Greenville ch 40, of which Sab-sch 5; Denmark ch 3 48 00	<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Milan ch 11; Norwalk ch 106 36 117 36
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Auburn ch 252 15, of which Sab- sch Ass'n 50; Marcellus ch 16 38 268 53	<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Boggsstown ch 3 00
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Downingtown Central ch 112 78, of which 62 50 from A P Fulton; Phoenixville ch 20; Coatesville ch 46; Great Valley ch 37; Westchester 1st ch 24 31 240 09	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Eddyville ch 10; Mt Pleasant ch 127 70 137 70
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Jefferson Park ch, Chicago 171 45; North ch, Chicago, Sab-sch 24 195 45	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Victor ch 8 50; Malcolm ch 10; Red Oak ch 9 25; Liberty ch 2; Lafayette ch 2; Rev D V Smock 1; Ladora ch 3 35 75
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Greenfield 1st ch 28 00	<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Tenafly ch 65 64; Paterson ch 80 145 64
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Seventh ch, Cincinnati 148 15; South Salem ch 32; Glendale ch 102; Cincin- nati 5th ch 82 35; Pilgrim ch 7 371 50	<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Kalamazoo 1st ch 170 57
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Newburg ch 18 29; Ashtabula 1st ch 53 31; Cleveland 1st ch 70; Elyria ch, from E Boyd 10, E C B 5, Cash 25cts = 15 25 156 85	<i>Pby of Kingston</i> —Mars' Hill ch 2 50; New Bethel ch 1 50 4 00
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Havana ch 21 71; Watkins ch 67 71 89 42	<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Bethel and Jacksonville chs 38; Clarksburg ch 10 65; Ebenezer ch 30; Freeport ch 43 141 65
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Lower Liberty ch 11 70	<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Marquette 1st ch 45 11
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Spencertown ch 8 33; Hudson 1st ch 100; Catskill ch 156 19 264 52	<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Orwell ch 6; Towanda 1st ch 270 90, of which Sab-sch 75; Monroetown ch 7; Carbondale 1st ch 63; Hartford ch 29 03; Mt Pleasant ch 47 50; Mauch Chunk 1st ch 108 24; Steubenville ch 5; Rushville ch 3 539 67
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Centre ch, Crawfordsville, add'l, 30; Rossville ch 5; Lebanon ch 7 30; Frankfort ch 25; Laporte 2d ch 20 55; Dover ch 5 75; Waveland ch 21 10 114 70	<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Mt Bethel ch 25; Hokendauqua ch 18; Reading 1st ch 242 75, of which Sab-sch 125 285 75
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Cedar Rapids 1st ch 8; Cedar Rapids 2d ch 10 40; Wyoming ch 25; Yankee Grove ch 3 65; Parker's Grove Ger ch 1 60 48 65	<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Ottawa ch 6; Wapakoneta ch 7; Van Wert ch 14 50; Piqua 1st ch, from J D Lyon 5; Turtle Creek ch 10 50; Jefferson ch 3 60 46 60
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —New Rehoboth ch, add'l 1 50; Pisgah ch 10 75 12 25	<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Crown Point ch 7 80; La- fayette ch 42 50, of which Sab-sch 3 40; Delphi ch 18 58 68 83
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Carrollton ch 10; Bethel ch 7;	

- Pby of Long Island*—Fresh Pond ch 13 00
- Pby of Louisville*—Walnut St ch, Louisville 40 69; Marion ch 25; Fredonia ch 4 69 69
- Pby of Lyons*—Palmyra ch Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 39 33; Isaac Wilson 109; Newark ch, Miss'y Ass'n 52 81 192 14
- Pby of Mankato*—Jackson ch 7 50; Mankato ch 61 35; Pleasant Ridge ch 25; South Bend 1st ch 5 15; Le Sueur Welsh ch 4 25 106 25
- Pby of Mahoning*—Newtown ch 10 34; Warren ch 31 20; Canfield ch 22 63 54
- Pby of Marion*—Milford Centre ch 7 50; Sandusky ch 2 50; Waynesburg ch 2 50 12 50
- Pby of Mattoon*—Arcola ch 6; Pleasant Prairie ch 10; Milton ch 10; Rev E Howell 5 31 00
- Pby of Maumee*—Toledo Ger ch 3 00
- Pby of Milwaukee*—West Granville Ger ch 3; Beloit 1st ch 35 28; Holland ch 17 58; Janesville ch 50 53 106 39
- Pby of Missouri River*—Afton ch 5; Lincoln 1st ch 22 25; Tekama ch 5 32 25
- Pby of Monroe*—Monroe ch 10 00
- Pby of Monmouth*—Tuckerton ch 17 25; Bass River ch 1; Mt Holly ch, add'l 30 48 25
- Pby of Morris and Orange*—Chatham ch 87; Boonton ch Sab-sch 125; Morristown 1st ch, quar coll 107 45; Logansville ch Sab-sch 3 50 322 95
- Pby of Muhlenburgh*—Rev J H Dinsmore 125, (memorial) 125 00
- Pby of Muncie*—Tipton ch 2 90; Wabash ch 58 60 90
- Pby of Nassau*—Foster's Meadow ch Sab-sch 7 52
- Pby of Neosho*—La Dore ch 13 00
- Pby of Newton*—Marksboro ch 21 86; Muscanetcong Valley ch 67 70; Blairstown ch 115; Stillwater ch 30; Swartswood ch 5 33 239 89
- Pby of New Brunswick*—Ewing ch 28; Bound Brook ch 59; Trenton 4th ch 25 103 00
- Pby of New Castle*—Lower West Nottingham ch 80; Wicomico ch 100; Red Clay Creek ch 23; Cool Spring ch 25; Pitts Creek ch 46 93; of which Newtown Sab-sch 15 93; White Clay Creek and Head of Christiana ch 104 375 93
- Pby of New Albany*—New Albany 1st ch 103 05; Jefferson ch 5; Pleasant Township ch 5; Monroe ch 4 55 117 60
- Pby of Newark*—Bloomfield 1st ch 625 38; Park ch, Newark Miss'y Ass'n 62 50; Newark 3d ch 288 55 976 43
- Pby of New York*—Brick ch, add'l 500, a Lady 2 = 502; Fourth Ave ch 425, W Edwards 250 = 675; Ch of the Covenant, add'l 1100; Allen St ch, in part 298 38 (Memorial); Madison Square ch, in part 2488 79; 1st ch, add'l 6533 01 11,597 18
- Pby of Niagara*—Knowlesville ch 33 00; Porter ch, add'l 6; Holly ch 32; Lewiston ch 20; Lockport ch Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 250 341 00
- Pby of Northumberland*—Lewisburg ch 105 86, of which Sab-sch 10; Rohrsburg ch 10; Orangeville ch 10; Renovo ch 7 83; Williamsport 2d ch 125; Jersey Shore ch 83 40 342 09
- Pby of North River*—Poughkeepsie 1st ch, mon colls 51 71; Canterbury ch 6; Newburg 1st ch 450, of which Sab-sch 100; Westmünster ch, Salt Point, add'l 1; Freedom Plains ch 30; Middle Hope ch 17 90 556 61
- Pby of Ottawa*—Farm Ridge ch, add'l 1 15; Sonomausk ch, Miss'y Soc'y 7; Union Grove ch 5 90 14 05
- Pby of Otsego*—Cherry Valley ch 50; Westford ch 14 03; Otsego ch 6 40 70 43
- Pby of Osage*—Holden ch 20; Deep Water ch 5; Pleasant Hill ch 20; Concord ch 16 61 00
- Pby of Oregon*—Pleasant Grove ch 5 45; Calipooia ch 12 18 17 63
- Pby of Palmyra*—Buffalo ch 6; Ashley ch 12; Wilson ch 4 50; Millard ch 5 50; Bevier ch 8; La Grange ch 50 85 00
- Pby of Portsmouth*—Hanging Rock ch 35 50
- Pby of Pittsburgh*—Mt Washington ch 8; Millers Run ch 39 01; Forest Grove ch 33; Mt Pisgah ch 13; Chartier ch 31 51; Sharon ch 13; Lebanon ch 91 50; Mt Carmel ch 15 16; Bethany ch, in part 79; Raceoon ch 155 40; Montehus ch 25 503 58
- Pby of Peoria*—Peoria 2d ch 59 20, of which Pastor 5; Salem ch 5 50 64 70
- Pby of Philadelphia*—Tenth ch, add'l 119 85, of which Mrs W L Savage 100; West Spruce St ch 1,418 13; 4th ch 62; Clinton St ch 170 66; Woodland ch 102 12; Calvary ch, add'l 1,065 65, 2,933 41
- Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Cohocksink ch Sab-sch 190; North Tenth St ch, add'l 7 22; Spring Garden ch 497 08; Mantua 1st ch 150, of which Sab-sch 100 841 30
- Pby of Philadelphia North*—Providence ch 27 50; Newtown ch, add'l 5 25, of which Groveland Inf Sab-sch class 4 50; Abington ch 44; Hermon ch, Frankford 145; Doylestown ch 50 37; Deep Run ch 1 82 273 94
- Pby of Redstone*—Long Run ch 51 20; New Providence ch 20; McClellandtown ch 25; Dunlap's Creek ch 55 25; West Newton ch 32 50 183 95
- Pby of Richland*—Haysville ch, add'l 1; Ontario ch 5 80; Olivesburg ch 11 17 89
- Pby of Rochester*—Stone ch 21; Nunda 1st ch Sab-sch 8 50; Sweden ch 18 85; Tuscarora and Union Corner chs 20, of which Pastor 5; Webster ch 31 37; Brick ch, Rochester, Ladies' H M Soc'y 62 50 162 22
- Pby of Rock River*—Woodhull ch 10; Centre ch 14 24 00
- Pby of Saltsburg*—Eldersridge ch 41 84; West Lebanon ch 30 71 84
- Pby of San José*—Brooklyn ch 15 00
- Pby of Sangamon*—Irish Grove ch 10 00
- Pby of Saginaw*—Lapeer ch 37; Flint 1st ch 185 64; Bay City 1st ch 71 58; Sanginaw City 1st ch 42 89 337 11
- Pby of St Lawrence*—Sacketts Harbor ch 20 77; Morristown ch 20; Lowville ch 37 77 77
- Pby of St Louis*—Cuba ch 12; Bethel ch 10; Chouteau Ave ch, St Louis 25; St Charles ch 7 75; Kirkwood ch 48 60 103 35
- Pby of Schuyler*—Oneida ch 5 59; Oquawka ch 14; Osceola ch 3; Keithsburg 11 35; Augusta ch 14 38 85
- Pby of Shenango*—Neshannock ch 70; Westfield ch 149 45; Pulaski ch 25 31, of which Sab-sch 17 34 245 76
- Pby of Steubenville*—Waynesburg ch 27; Bethlehem ch 14; Wellsville ch 24 20; Two Ridges ch 50 36; Steubenville 2d ch, from Rev Dr C C B and wife 150; Canonsburg ch 10; Bethel ch 7 15 282 71
- Pby of St Clairsville*—Scotch Ridge ch 3 53; Portland ch 2 05; Martinsville ch 27; St Clairsville ch 108; Concord ch 42 10 182 68
- Pby of Steuben*—Plattsburg ch 88 97, of which Ladies' H M Soc'y 47 30; Corning ch 168 08 257 05
- Pby of Springfield*—Decatur ch 21 15; Pisgah ch 69 25 90 40
- Pby of St Paul*—Stillwater 1st ch 49 00
- Pby of Syracuse*—First Ward ch, Syracuse Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 200; Syracuse 4th ch, Mrs R N Gere 75; Hannibal ch, S W Brewster 30; Rev A Cooper 10 315 00
- Synod of Ohio*—A Balance 11 50
- Pby of Topeka*—Topeka 1st ch, Mrs Mary V Hart 20; Marysville Memorial ch 8 28 00
- Pby of Transylvania*—Lebanon 1st ch 15 00
- Pby of Troy*—Brunswick 1st ch 40; Troy 3d ch 10; Second St ch, Troy 320 44 370 44
- Pby of Utica*—Oneida Castle ch 15; Westminster ch, Utica 18; Bethany ch Sab-sch, Utica 20; Rome ch 222 17, of which 187 37 from the



Young People's Miss'y Asso'n: Oswego 1st ch 190 82; Oriskany ch 10; Oneida ch 90 55; Clinton ch 190 18; Utica 1st ch, in part 861 70; Vernon ch 50; Turin ch 8	1676 42
<i>Phy of Vincennes</i> —Claiborne ch 7; Howesville ch 3; Vincennes 2d ch 24 50; Indiana ch 14; Washington ch, Helpininstin Mission Soc'y 16 20	64 70
<i>Phy of Washington</i> —Pigeon Creek ch 51; Mt Prospect ch 75 10; Lower Buffalo ch 13 91; Mill Creek ch 38 10; West Liberty ch 42 75; Wellsburg ch 16; Upper Buffalo ch 66 15	306 01
<i>Phy of Washington City</i> —Seventh St ch, Washington 75; Washington 4th ch 150	225 00
<i>Phy of Waterloo</i> —Vinton ch 20; Salem ch 14 30	34 30
<i>Phy of Wellsboro</i> —Arnot ch 6 57; Rev E D Wells 5	11 57
<i>Phy of West Chester</i> —West Farms 1st ch, mon coll 3 50; Hartford 1st ch, add'l, 100; South Salem ch, add'l, Ladies' Charitable Soc'y 32 17, and D M H 30 = 62 17	165 67
<i>Phy of Westminster</i> —New Harmony ch 5; Pequea ch, a balance 5 65	10 65
<i>Phy of West Jersey</i> —Williamstown ch 50; Cedarville 1st ch 68 45; Salem ch 175; Blackwoodtown ch 104	397 45
<i>Phy of West Virginia</i> —Ravenswood ch	11 00
<i>Phy of Winona</i> —Le Roy ch 6; Rushford ch 5; Caledonia ch 5; Portland Prairie ch 3; Austine ch 12	31 00
<i>Phy of Winnelago</i> —Assembly ch, Beaver Dam 10; Horicon ch 12; Waupaca ch 24, of which Miss Sarah Mursh 5; Pioneer ch 10	52 00
<i>Phy of Wisconsin River</i> —Broadhead ch	7 30
<i>Phy of Wooster</i> —Fredericksburg ch 125; Congress ch 12 66; Wayne ch 12 25; Chester ch 6 15; East Hopewell ch 46; Nashville ch 38; Lexington ch 50; Hayesville ch 5	275 06
<i>Phy of White Water</i> —Richmond 1st ch	28 00
<i>Phy of Zanesville</i> —Granville ch 184 45; Zanesville 1st ch 73 40; Mount Vernon ch 33 60; Fredericktown ch 4; Waterford ch 12; Zanesville 2d ch 60 45	367 90

Total received from churches, \$37,406 68

LEGACIES.—Legacy in part of Mrs Siba Bushnell, late of Brockport, N Y 802 79, less exch 1 60 = 801 19; Legacy in part of Dr John Layman, late of Springfield, Ill 245 30; Legacy of John Wilson, dec'd, late of West Kishacoquillas, Pa 300; Bequest of Miss Electa E Burbank, dec'd, late of Palmyra, N Y 200; Legacy of Mrs Moses Smith, dec'd, late of Newark, N J 105 45

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MISCELLANEOUS.—Jas U Sutton, Plumville, Pa 4; M M Muller, Amelia C H, Va 2 50; Mrs M L N Bloomburg, Pa 10; E S Satterly, Aurora, Ill 100 (Memorial); "Friends in Illinois" 50; Religious Con Soc'y of Princeton Theo Sem'y, add'l 1; Ira Sylvester, Sen. Clayton, N Y 2; A Chamption, Esq. Rochester, N Y 500; Rev W J McCord, Wassaic, N Y 2; "R R P" 10; E T Foote, M D, Jamestown, N Y 100; "H H" 10; Dr A M Bruen, N Y 500; "S," Canonsburg, Pa 2 50 (Memorial); "D," interior, Pa 10; A P Cummings, N Y 100; "S B M" 25; "Wilkesbarre," Pa 100; Lizzie Cadmus 5, gold = 5 50; M C 5, gold = 5 50; Miss Mary C Newton, Pensacola, Fla 5 (Memorial); J D T Hersey, Esq, N Y 400 (Memorial); Rev John Newton, Pensacola, Fla 5, a family offering; "Cash" 10; Mrs Catharine B Atterbury, N Y 51; Rev W W Atterbury, N Y 25; Consider Camp, Constantia, N Y 500; Rev E D Morris, D D, Lane Sem'y Cincinnati, Ohio 25; Mrs E K Green, Montreal, Canada 25 (Memorial); Gen E B Babbitt, U S A, Portland, Oregon 30; gold = 33 11; Mrs Martha Ward, Newark, N J 5

2623 11

Total in January, \$43,641 73

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
30 Vesey Street, New York.

#### CLOTHING.

1 box from the Central ch, New York City, valued at	\$300 00
1 box from the Plum Creek ch, Pa, valued at	140 00
1 box from the ladies of Clearfield ch, Pa, valued at	250 00
1 box from the ladies of 1st ch Piqua, Ohio, valued at	100 00
1 box from the ladies of Sewing Soc'y, Freeport ch, Pa, valued at	64 37
1 box from the ladies of Sewing Soc'y, Flemington ch, N J, valued at	150 00
2 boxes from the Dorcas and Miss'y Soc'y of West Spruce St ch, Phila, Pa, valued at	563 00
1 box from the ladies of 2d ch, Indianapolis, Ind, valued at	192 00
9 boxes from the ladies of Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St chs, N Y City, valued at	1056 11
1 box from the ladies of Burlington ch, N J, valued at	400 10
1 box from the ladies of South Salem ch, N Y, valued at	125 00
1 box from the ladies of Stillwater ch, N J, valued at	95 00
4 boxes from the ladies of ch of Covenant, New York City, valued at	725 00
1 box from the Doylestown Miss'y Sewing Soc'y, Pa, valued at	250 00
1 box from the Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y, Downingtown, Pa, valued at	100 19
1 box from the Ladies' Soc'y, Greenburg, Ind, valued at	135 00
1 box from the ladies of 2d ch Brooklyn, N Y, valued at	401 00
1 box from the ladies of 1st ch Lansingburg, N Y, valued at	145 00
1 box from the ladies of Abington ch, Pa, valued at	185 00
1 box from the ladies of Central ch, Pittsburgh, Pa, no value given	
1 box from the ladies of Franklin ch, Pa, valued at	150 53
2 boxes from the ladies of Westminster ch, Buffalo, N Y, valued at	200 83

\$5,752 03

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Legacy of W McClintock, dec'd, late of Pittsburgh, Pa 500, less taxes 55 = 445; Legacy of Francis G Bailey, dec'd, late of Pittsburgh, Pa 1000, less taxes 107 50 = 892 50; Legacy in part of Elizabeth W Lloyd, dec'd, late of Tiffin, Ohio 163 48; Bequest of Rev W N Mebane, dec'd, late of North Carolina 6 25; Six months' interest on the Permanent Missionary Fund, from the Trustees of the General Assembly 446 11; Legacy of Miss Mary E Smith, dec'd, late of Phila, Pa, and interest 310 68, less taxes 33 = 277 68

\$2,231 02

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No. 30 VESSEY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

*And I, behold I, have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: to you they are given as a gift for the Lord, to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.*

*Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth.*

Numb. xviii. Deut. xii.

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF  
EDUCATION.

*Addressed to Pastors.*

PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION.  
No. 907 Arch St., Phila., March 1, 1871.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER:

An annual statement has generally been made at this period of the year for the assistance of pastors in presenting the objects of the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH before their people. The following facts and suggestions may be profitable to that end at the present time.

FIRST. It is most important to base your appeals upon the fact that *the great designs of the Board are mainly evangelistic or missionary*. The experiments of the previous hundred years, which in 1819 resulted in the establishment of this "standing committee, or board of education, for the supreme judicatory of our Church," were aimed at the increase of ministers, chiefly in order to meet the wants of destitute regions and new settlements. This and the present wonderful removal of the obstacles to the preaching of the unsearchable riches of Christ to the long-enslaved Roman Catholic, Mohammedan, and Pagan nations of the world, present the grand motives for most energetic, self-denying, and prayerful efforts to multiply the ministry of the gospel. No other means will rouse professing Christians to ponder, pray, and exert themselves as they should in relation to their great duties in this direction, but the unceasing, intelligent labors of pastors to fill their breasts with the missionary spirit—which is simply the spirit of our Redeemer, JESUS CHRIST, and of the work which He gave to us to do.

SECOND. *The purposes of the Church can only be effected by the dedication of her sons to them, and by God's clothing those sons, in answer to her prayers, with wisdom and power from on high*. It is necessary for us to make personal to our church members the application of the teachings and commands of the scriptures, the calls of Providence in the world, and the appeals of the Church. Of what use is it for the Church to appoint weeks or days of general prayer, and to organize boards for evangelistic and educational ends, if pastors do not, by their urgency, compel Christians to consider, pray over, and perform their individual duties in the consecration of themselves, and their children, to the Lord? How is it possible for the famishing multitudes of the world to be fed, though Christ should make our five small loaves and two fishes to swell into mountains of them, unless we can move the hearts of disciples who will take his gifts of mercy in their hands and set them before the people? Are there not in your own church young men who are qualified to be, and ought to be, such "disciples," and themselves go to carry "the bread of life" to the dying?

THIRD. *The immediate necessities and claims of those now engaged in preparation for the work of the ministry ought to be spread before each church, that those persons who are able to do so may afford help.*

The number of students who, at the present time, look for assistance from you, through the Board of Education, is six hundred and twenty-two.

This large number represents many families of ministers and elders, which have given to the work of the church precious members, upon whom they would fain have leaned for support. It represents men who, at a time when the ministry is more poorly paid than any other profession, or even than most respectable mechanical employments, have left, like Elisha, father and mother, and slain their own oxen, in the art of self-consecration.

Some of these men are devoted already to the arduous but glorious foreign mission work. Many will follow in the paths which their predecessors have opened into the great wastes of the West, and the South, and the Pacific shore; "*and the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them.*"

Among these students are colored men who pant to obtain the knowledge of "the book of life," so long kept from their outstretched hands, and to teach it to their kindred; there are Germans, Frenchman, Spaniards, and Portuguese, who have been led by the mighty hand of God to this land of spiritual liberty, and who, when Christ has healed and lifted them up, wish to be enabled to go to their own house and show how great things He hath done unto them.

There are none pampered by this charity; for it is only the supplement of what men can ordinarily obtain by their own efforts. And yet there are many who have said that, but for this kindly arm extended to them, they could not have climbed to the point where they are qualified to direct others in the way of salvation. It is to every one who receives it an unspeakable encouragement to industry in the use of the advantages of education, a bond to unite him to the Church, an incitement to greater efforts for the advancement of the kingdom of her Lord.

FOURTH. We will briefly state for your information *the condition of the finances of the Board.*

There has been received from all sources from May 1st, 1870, till February 1st, 1871, the sum of \$47,826; which is \$10,079 less than was received for the education of candidates for the ministry in both branches of the Church during the same months of the preceding year.

The Board has been compelled to borrow \$5,000, on interest; and it will require nearly that much more to pay the appropriations already due. We cannot give the exact amount, as some of the reports from professors have not yet come in.

It may be estimated that about \$50,000 is yet needed to meet all the obligations of the Board until May 1. Besides, there should be obtained at this time, if possible, the principal part of the amount needed (about \$40,000) to make the first payments of the succeeding year of the Board.

It will be seen then, at a glance, how necessary are great efforts, on the part of all who have an interest in this work, to add largely to their contributions in previous years. Several reasons might be suggested for the deficiency of the present year. They seem to affect all the benevolent work of the Church. Some of them have been felt by other Christian denominations. This much only however we would say: Unless the assistance which this Board needs is furnished to it, many worthy and diligent candidates for the gospel ministry must suffer in body and mind; some will be entirely discouraged; the already small number of those who offer themselves for the great work of the world's harvest will be diminished; our own important branch of the Church of Christ will grievously



suffer; our gracious King will be displeased, and the influences of His Spirit will be withheld from our sanctuaries; and those families will be scourged by His judgments who forget the tenderness of God's special provision for the Levite, that he shall "*come, and eat, and be satisfied; that the Lord thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.*"

Respectfully yours,

HERRICK JOHNSON, *Pres.*

WILLIAM SPEER, *Cor. Sec.*

## MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Several special contributions have been made to the treasury of the Board of Education, with the request that they be credited among the gifts to the MEMORIAL FUND. The trustees of that Fund have announced that they will keep a list of similar contributions, and present them to the next General Assembly for its sanction of their acceptance. We may trust that the friends of Education will bear this in mind; and that, if there be no particular institution, or other object of this class, which has a strong claim upon them, they would cast a *special offering of thanksgiving to God* for his mercies to us as a Church into the treasury of a Board whose end it is to multiply tongues to publish His grace and speak His praise in all the earth.

## PHYSICIANS OF THE SOUL.

The body is but the carriage in which the soul rides about, the machinery which the soul uses to do its work. Is it right that the welfare, the necessities, the maladies of the body should receive so much more attention than those of the soul?

There are in the country at this time about ninety medical schools of all kinds; they have an attendance of seven thousand students. These young men reap the benefits of the labors of nearly six hundred professors, and of a large number of private instructors. Many of the schools are supplied with costly museums, laboratories, dispensaries, and other apparatus of the teacher's work. It costs a young man, besides his preparatory collegiate education, for tickets and fees alone from one hundred and fifty to two hundred and twenty-five dollars a year. Boarding, books, instruments, &c., make up a large amount. The expenses of three years preparation are probably at least two thousand dollars. Yet there are sent forth annually more than *two thousand* medical graduates, to alleviate our corporeal afflictions. The cities of Philadelphia and New York alone witness each year the congregation of more than two thousand three hundred students, and give diplomas to more than a third of that number, who are distributed over the land, in the army and navy, and into foreign lands. What a benefit is this grand work of tuition to mankind. What an army of benefactors, second only to the ministry of the gospel in their usefulness, is thus sent forth every year. How all departments of human suffering feel the blest influence, and all the world is made better and happier!

Cannot we rival somewhat this beneficence and energy in our efforts to provide for the spiritual maladies of mankind? What is the Presbyterian Church, which takes the lead in the thorough education of her ministry, doing? Leaving out of view, as we have done before, the collegiate preparation, she has seven theological seminaries, reporting some thirty-three professors, and about four hundred and twenty-five students; and two where German students, and four where colored men, obtain a partial course. There are sent forth about one hundred and forty ministers annually. The property of these seminaries may amount to near two millions of dollars, and their libraries collectively to a hundred thousand volumes. But there are three serious questions which merit the consideration of the Church

and its members. 1. Are not our ideas far too limited as to the number of men who should be educated for the ministry? To settle this we must weigh the immense spiritual wants of our own and other lands, the capacity of the providence of God, and the extent of the resources of the Church when fully awake to her duty. 2. Is not the present training of those who are candidates for the ministry wanting in variety and in practical character? The last General Assembly adopted a resolution calling upon the theological seminaries to remedy this lack, by the establishment of chairs of Evangelistic Theology. 3. Does not the Church owe more liberal support to the candidates for the ministry through the Board of Education? The last is the point which most immediately concerns us in the preparation of this article. It is one thing to which many fellow-Christians can make some reply at once, by helping the Board to fulfil the pledges already made to those young men under its care. And yet it is a question which has still broader claims upon us.

The medical profession suggests many lessons to the theological. Have we the wisdom to consider them, and the determination to profit by them?

### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN JANUARY, 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Schenectady ch 19; Ballston Spa ch 11 05; Jewett ch 12; Albany 3d ch 3; Ballston Centre ch 11 24	21 00 \$254 25
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Centreville ch	21 00
<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Salem German ch, Alton, Ill 5 0	5 00
<i>Pby of Austin</i> —Austin ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Ognawka ch 5; Keithsburg ch 3; 1st ch Urbana 11 05	19 05
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Mount Morris ch 19 33; Buffalo ch 25	44 33
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Dryden ch	13 35
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Walcott ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Phoenixville ch 14; Waynesburg ch 20 07	34 07
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Jefferson Park ch 45 31; North ch Sab-sch 24	69 31
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cummingsville ch 7; Montgomery ch 10 45	17 45
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Western Reserve College ch	50 00
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —First ch Dayton	50 00
<i>Pby of Duluth</i> —Janeville ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Second ch Rahway	50 00
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Baker's Creek ch	4 25
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —First ch Hudson 25; Unionville ch 10	35 00
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Eddyville ch	1 75
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Richmond ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Luckawanna</i> —Mauch Chunk ch 53 69; Hazleton ch 28 81	82 50
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —La Fayette ch (of which 7 30 from Sab-sch)	17 34
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Southampton ch (from Female Ed Soc'y)	25 00
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Rehoboth ch 9 35; Poland ch 6	15 35
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Holland ch 10; Granville ch 3	13 00
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Hanover 2d ch 40; Hanover 1st ch (add'l) 1	41 00
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Newton ch	48 00
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Morristown 1st ch (quarterly collection) 52 23; Newark 1st ch 115 18; Patterson 2d ch 28 10; Coldwater ch 36 45; Roseville ch, Newark 128 60	360 65
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —First ch Princeton 46 55	46 55
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Georgetown ch, Del	2 00
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Thirteenth St ch 95; Madison Square ch (add'l) 366 87; Fourteenth St ch 137 36; Rutgers St ch 517 36	1,116 59
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Wassaic ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Stillwater ch 21 74; Belvidere ch 45	66 74
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Jersey Shore ch 82 35; Hazleton ch 5 42	87 77
<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Prairie City ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Tenth ch 225, of which 40 from Benjamin Gerhard; Clinton St ch, add'l 10	235 60
<i>Pby of Philadelphia North</i> —Chestnut Hill ch 125; Providence ch, from S P S, M H S, and A J S 2 50 each = 7 50	132 50
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —First ch Phelps	14 00
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Woodhull ch	10 00
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Concord ch	24 33
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Webster Grove ch	15 00
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Taylor's Falls ch	8 10
<i>Pby of Sprueller</i> —Angusta ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Maroa ch 5 50; Jacksonville, 2d Portuguese ch 7 60	13 10
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bethel ch 10 38; Richmond ch 6 25	16 63
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy, Second St ch	161 34
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Lower Ten Mile ch	3 50
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —North ch, Washington	10 00
<i>Pby of Watertown</i> —Carthage ch	10 50
<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —First ch Ulysses	2 00
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —May's Landing ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Union ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Winona German ch	2 00
	\$3,326 35
ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL FUND.	
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Westminster ch, Elizabeth, from D H Pierson, Esq	500 00
A P Cummings, Esq, Vienna, Austria	100 00
	\$600 00
REFUNDED.	
SM	\$170 71
LEGACIES.	
Estate of Mr John Wilson, Sr, of West Kishacoquillas, Pa	\$100 00
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Mrs M L N, Bloomsburg, Pa 10; "Friends in Illinois" 50; R C E, McVeytown 5; "S" 2; Mrs B 1; J R Groves 2; A Friend 1 50; D H R 5; R F 20; S Poplars 60 cts; Interest on "Means' Fund," in part 408; Interest on Jacobs' Fund, in part 12; A G Clarke, Esq, Marquette Lake, special 65; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; "A Friend, Wellsville, Ohio 10; Rev John Newton and Family, Pensacola, Fla 1; Rev A Cooper, Pompey, N Y 10; Patterson Estate 18 25; J L Glenn, Plainfield, Ohio 3; Miss M B Patterson, Green Tree, Pa 1	630 25
Total amount acknowledged,	\$4,827 31
WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.	
CORRECTION.—The donation of \$150, credited to E. W. Edwards, Oakland, Cal., should have been to J. W. Edwards, Esq., Marquette, Mich.	
BOARD OF EDUCATION.	
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## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

TRANSFER OF MISSIONARIES.—The Rev. Messrs. Joseph L. Whiting and Daniel C. McCoy, and their wives, of Peking, China, heretofore connected with the American Board, have been taken under the care of the Presbyterian Board, in pursuance of the general arrangements, which are well known to our readers. These brethren have been thus transferred at their own request, and with the cordial approval of all parties in the case.

NOTICES OF MISSIONARIES.—Mr. Brodhead and his company have reached their stations in India. Mr. Lucas is stationed at Allahabad; Mr. Seeley, at Futtehghurh; Mr. Holcomb and Mr. F. Newton, at Lodiana; Mr. Seiler, at Kolapore; Miss Dickey, at Mynpoorie; Miss Craig, at Lodiana.—Miss Loring arrived at Beirut on the 19th of December, after a favorable voyage.—Dr. McCartee and his wife have arrived at Ningpo, their station for so many years. Mr. and Mrs. Fitch are to be stationed at Shanghai. Mr. and Mrs. Crossette have gone to the North, and they will be stationed at Chefoo or Tungchow.—Rev. J. F. Da Game and his family arrived at Rio de Janeiro, December 2d. He will remain there for a time. Being one of the Madeira Portuguese from Springfield, Ill., he is able at once to begin missionary work in Brazil, where the language is Portuguese.—Charles W. Vrooman, M.D., a member of the Lafayette Avenue church, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been appointed as a missionary physician to the Laos, and has started on his journey to Chieng-mai, expecting to take the steamer of March 1st at San Francisco. We hope that many prayers will be offered for him.

INDIAN MISSIONS.—Mr. Mills reports his visit to Odanah, of the Lake Superior Chippewa Mission, formerly "Ojibwa," in Northwest Wisconsin. He met a warm and touching welcome from the few church members, and a good welcome also from the chiefs. The buildings need considerable repairs, and must be refurnished. The Indian Agent, Major Clark, takes a deep interest in the reopening of the school. Mr. Mills' letter was received too late to be referred to in the *Record*, except in this brief notice.—Mr. Menaul will probably take up his station among the Zuni Pueblos, an interesting tribe of Indians, about fifteen hundred in number, living in a village or settlement not far distant from the Navajoes. Nothing has yet been done for the Zunis, either in educational or missionary matters. They were much pleased to learn from Mr. Roberts, of the Navajoe Mission, some months ago, that they might look for a teacher, and they gave Mr. Menaul a friendly reception. We hope soon to give further particulars of these and other Pueblo Indians, who seem to be now accessible to our missionary efforts. The post-office address of both Mr. Menaul and Mr. Roberts is Fort Wingate, New Mexico.—The Rev. George McKinley, of the Presbytery of Bloomington, has accepted a limited appointment from the Board to one of the bands of Apache Indians, New Mexico. He will visit these Indians, and it is hoped that the way may be found ready for a permanent and successful mission amongst them. He will receive the cordial co-operation of Mr. Piper, the new Indian Agent, who is a respected elder of one of our churches in Illinois.

FROM CHIENG-MAI, among the Laos, we still receive favorable accounts as to the attendance and apparent interest at religious services. The authorities do not hinder the work of the missionaries. Mr. McGilvary was expecting soon to build a dwelling-house.



"ADDED TO THE CHURCH."—The Seneca Mission Report mentions the admission of five new communicants to the church last year. The letters from Canton, China, speak of five persons received on profession of their faith in December. Two of these were daughters of Dr. Happer, one was an aged Chinese woman, and two were young men of good talents, who are members of the training class. It is with much regret that we find no report of additions to other churches in the correspondence of the last month. We regret to add that in the Seneca Mission it was necessary to exclude some of the members of the church—see Report in another column.

PERSIAN MISSION, formerly called the Nestorian.—Mr. Coan writes of the work of this mission, and its need of more men. His letter was not received in time for our columns this month. Particular information will be found in the *Foreign Missionary* from the pen of Mr. Shedd, one of the missionaries now in this country. Certainly this mission has been honored as the means of doing a great work for the cause of Christ; and it must not be allowed to suffer for the want of more laborers. We regret very much to learn the death of Mr. Coan's son, a young man of fine promise, who lately came to this country to pursue his education, with the ministry in view. His death was marked by the peace and hope which the Saviour only can give. This great bereavement is yet unknown to his parents. The sincerest sympathy will be felt for them, and many prayers offered in their behalf.

RECEIPTS, MAY 1ST TO FEBRUARY 1ST.—From churches, \$112,553; from legacies, \$8,537; from miscellaneous donors, \$10,477; in all, \$131,549. Receipts in the same months last year, \$142,553, of which from churches, \$105,398.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO FEBRUARY 13TH.—From Cattaraugus, February 4th; Alleghany, January 31st; Odanah, Lake Superior Chippewa, February 4th; Navajo, January 11th; Zuni, January 10th; Peking, November 23d; Tungchow, November 28th; Shanghai, December 12th; Hangchow, November 30th; Ningpo, December 10th; Canton, December 9th; Bangkok, November 25th; Chieng-mai, October 7th; Mynpurie, December 21st; Futtehghurh, December 12th; Roorkhee, December 9th; Saharunpur, December 20th; Dehra, December 20th; Oroomiah, November 16th; Beirut, December 19th; Abeih, December 21st; Sidon, December 21st; Benita, December 1st; Rio de Janeiro, December 24th; Sao Paulo, December 20th.

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### IT IS NOW EVIDENT

That an earnest effort will have to be made in March and April, to save the Board from ending the year heavily in debt on the first of May. We believe that the gifts of churches and individual donors thus far received have been generally very liberal, especially in view of the financial pressure that is so widely felt in business matters. We trust that neither this pressure, nor any other cause, will hinder our churches and friends, whose gifts have not yet been sent in, from considering how great is the call for help from those who are perishing for lack of vision, and how pressing are the claims for enlargement of nearly all the missions of the Board. The work of these missions has been steadily growing in almost every case, and it is a work full of promise.

We would respectfully suggest that in congregations which *cannot*, for any reason, now make the usual public collection for this cause, private or personal applications might be made to its friends by the kind attention of members of the church session, or other persons interested in the subject.

## LEARNING THE NATIVE LANGUAGE INDISPENSABLE TO MISSIONARIES.

We take some forcible remarks on this subject from a letter of a gentleman of large missionary experience and attainments. His letter was not written for publication, and therefore we withhold his name, but with some regret, as it would add much to the weight of the opinions here expressed. Certainly, all missionaries, women as well as men, should learn the language of the people amongst whom they live and labor. Their highest usefulness requires this knowledge; so does their comfort in their intercourse with the natives; and so also does their sympathy with them in the manifold circumstances of life. Without such knowledge no one should long remain on missionary ground. Whether Missionary Boards do or do not enter into formal agreement with the missionaries as to their making this acquirement within a reasonable time, the obligation to learn the language is sacred; so much so, that express stipulations ought not to be needed in the case. It belongs to the common law of the subject. Our correspondent says:

I am clearly of opinion, that [in no case] should the trial be too prolonged. If in two or three years at the most, a new missionary has not acquired a pretty free use of the language for speaking purposes, as well as the reading of plain books, I should conclude that he has mistaken his vocation. Without this degree of acquirement, it is impossible for him to command the attention and reach the mind of the people.

In the — Society new missionaries are subjected to an examination and their progress reported,—an arrangement which we, I think, might well adopt with advantage. . . . Let it be understood that they are taken on trial, and that some committee [of older missionaries], whom you may designate, will examine them and report to you after the lapse of a year.

The — Society have but few men in —, but 'there is not one feeble amongst them.' Not only have they stood conspicuous for literary activity, but their churches are always among the most prosperous at their respective stations. [Our correspondent here enumerates the names of several respected missionaries of the Society to which he refers, and gives some notices of their successful work; and then he continues.]

This marked contrast with the greater numbers and inferior efficiency of the agents of other societies is no doubt owing in the first place to a careful selection of the men who are sent into the field, and then to the fact that a high standard of attainments is required of them. No young man should be sent to this country, who has not the requisite talents to make him either a city preacher or a college professor if he should remain at home. It is not numbers but ability that we want, backed up of course by piety—without which the candidate might be sent of men but not of God. Mr. —, of the — Board, and I have talked much of this subject, and he has urged me to write my views more fully for the benefit of other Societies than my own. This I may do at another time, but just as the mail is closing I jot down these hasty lines *apropos* to the subject of the letter.

We commend these views, which are evidently well matured, even if hastily written, to the consideration especially of all our friends who are called on to recommend candidates for appointment as missionaries. The Board must necessarily depend very much in these cases on the recommendations of pastors, professors, and other Christian friends. We should understand our respected correspondent not as implying that ministers in other stations in the Church may not be quite equal to men of the classes specified, or even superior to many of them; but merely as indicating a general grade of ability and scholarship. We suppose the true aim of the Church should be to appoint as missionaries those only who appear to be called to this work, so far as this can be learned from the Providence, Word, and Spirit of God; in other words, to choose those whom God has chosen for it. And in some cases, it must be borne in mind that men of humble promise reach the highest degrees of usefulness, like the celebrated Dr. Milne in China. All missionary fields, moreover, do not require the same grades of ability, scholar-

ship, &c ; and in some, there are different departments of labor, not requiring equal gifts, though all needing the gift of a native tongue ; and surely all do need the deepest and the highest attainments of piety.

### SENECA INDIAN MISSION.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1870.

We insert this report with much pleasure. It is brief and clear, and it furnishes evidence that the blessing of God rests upon the labors of his servants in this mission.

As this is one of the missions lately transferred to the Board, it may be well to state here, that its work is conducted on two Reservations in the western part of the State of New York. One, known as the Cattaraugus Reservation, lies between Buffalo and Dunkirk, N.Y., about thirty miles from Buffalo, the Indian land fronting on Lake Erie for a short distance. On this reserved tract of land about sixteen hundred Indians live. The other, known as the Alleghany Reservation, is about thirty miles distant from the Cattaraugus Reservation, lying on the Alleghany river, and containing over one thousand Indians. As the result of missionary labors, these Indians are considerably advanced in civilization. These labors were commenced in 1811, by the New York Missionary Society among Indians then living a few miles from Buffalo, but since removed to the Cattaraugus Reservation, where the United Foreign Missionary Society began the work in 1822. This Society, it will be remembered, was supported by the Presbyterian, Dutch Reformed, and Associate Reformed Presbyterian Churches. In 1826, the mission was transferred to the American Board ; and in 1870, to the Presbyterian Board, as above stated. It has done a good and a great work for the Indians. How soon its work can be placed on the basis of our ordinary home plans for the support of the gospel is a question of much interest, and one to which the missionary brethren have given much attention. The sooner this can be safely done, the better. So, all feel ; but perhaps a change in the tenure of

land, from "commons" to "severalty," must precede or accompany the best working of the means employed for the support of the gospel by the Indians themselves. In the meantime, however, the missionaries are giving instruction to the people concerning this duty. These missionaries are the Rev. Messrs. Asher Wright and George Ford, on the Cattaraugus Reservation, and the Rev. William Hall, on the Alleghany Reservation, and their wives. Mr. and Mrs. Ford were formerly missionaries in South India. They are all persons of mature experience, "Father" Wright having been longer on missionary ground, we suppose, than any other missionary of the Board. It is needless to add that they are all worthy of the confidence and sympathy of our churches. Our missionary periodicals, we hope, will furnish from time to time particular accounts of this interesting mission.

This mission comprises three ordained missionaries and their wives, and three native helpers, who are laboring on the Cattaraugus and Alleghany Reservations in Western New York. Mr. Wright, who is now passing the fortieth year of his service among the Indians, is still stationed at Upper Cattaraugus, and has, during the year, spent much time in attendance upon the medical wants of the people in order better to influence their hearts by the truth. He has been engaged in the revision of the Seneca hymn book, a work containing two hundred and sixty-three hymns, which is now in the hands of the printer, and will soon be ready for use. The Orphan Asylum, which owes its existence chiefly to the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Wright, has demanded a portion of his time, and is at present in a prosperous condition, having in charge from eighty to ninety children. Several visits have been made by this brother to other reservations, where his counsel and aid were needed. The temperance cause has received a new impulse by the formation of a lodge of Good Templars, while the "Sons of



Temperance" are still doing a good work. Several drunkards through these agencies have been reclaimed.

Mr. Ford has ministered to the church at Lower Cattaraugus. Besides the usual Sabbath services, weekly neighborhood meetings in private houses and school houses have been continued, and have afforded signs of encouragement.

The church, which had been Congregational, has changed its form of government and become Presbyterian. Church discipline, which had for a time been neglected, or hindered the cause of Christ, has been revived and enforced. Four persons have been excommunicated for immorality, and though some of their friends have made strenuous opposition, yet we cannot doubt that the action will be beneficial both to the church and the community. Five have been received to the church on profession of their faith in Christ. Of the six members who died, some gave very satisfactory and pleasing evidence of a fitness through Divine grace for immortality. Aside from the Sabbath-school at the church, four others have been in operation, some during a part, and others during the whole of the year, through the efforts of Mrs. Wright, the native helper, and two Christian teachers. Though the year has witnessed no special manifestation of religious feeling in this community, yet the power of the gospel has showed its effects in the confirmation of the faith and love of some believers, and in preparing the soil of hearts for future harvests.

Mr. Hall has devoted his time to

scattering the good seed of the word over the long and narrow field, forty miles long and one mile wide, committed to his care. His stated preaching services has been divided between three stations, (Jimersontown, Oldtown, and Cornplanters,) the congregations averaging at two of these about forty persons, and at the other about thirty.

The Sabbath-school has been kept in a flourishing condition at Oldtown. On the Sabbath, while Mr. Hall preaches at one station, two native helpers hold religious meetings at the other two. These two helpers have been employed by the American Home Missionary Society; but their pay will now be withdrawn, since the mission has been transferred to the Presbyterian Board. Prayer-meetings during the week have been well sustained.

The State sustains on these two reservations, besides that at the Orphan Asylum, sixteen common schools, in which the children are taught the rudiments of an English education, and both white and Indian teachers are employed to give instruction.

The pecuniary ability of the church members belonging to these churches is small. The brethren of the Cattaraugus church contributed the past year fifty or sixty dollars for fuel and lights for their meeting-house and for the pay of their sexton, and procured for the safety of the house lightning rods at about an equal expense. The sewing society also collected a few dollars, which went towards the payment of the salary of Mr. Ford.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN JANUARY, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Charlton ch 21, Sab-seh 7 = 28; Ballston Spa ch 20 94, Sab-seh 10 54 = 31 48; Nassau ch Sab-seh 3; Ballston Centre ch 20 60; Mariaville ch 25, Sab-seh 15 = 40; 3d ch Albany 164, Sab-seh 4 = 200; Johnstown ch 171 63; Kingsboro ch 231. *Pby of Champlain*—Essex ch 25 32. *Pby of Columbia*—Jewett ch 21; 1st ch Hudson 100. *Pby of Troy*—First ch Cohoes 9 50; 1st ch Troy 308; Woodside ch 25, Sab-seh 26 = 51; Second St ch, Troy 370 44; Glen's Falls ch, to con Rev A J Fennel *Life Director* 100; North Granville ch 10 \$1,725 97

SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Catawba*—Poplar Tent ch 20; Concord ch 10; Bellefonte ch 6; Bethpage ch 4. *Pby of East Florida*—First Jacksonville ch, Florida 100 140 00

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Cumberland Sab-seh 45; Taneytown ch 105 09; Emmitsburg ch 36 17, Sab-seh 32 63, "Infant Mission," sent for Testaments in Canton 12 23 = 81; Barton ch 21; Lonaconing ch 3; New Windsor ch 6 03; Havre de Grace ch 40; Broadway ch 25; Annapolis Sab-seh Juv Miss'y Soc'y 37 93; Elliott City Sab-seh 25; Patapsco Miss ch 30; Thistle Miss ch 10. *Pby of New Castle*—Snow Hill Sab-seh 2 80; Port Penn Sab-seh 10 50; Greenville ch 17 80, Sab-seh 15 = 32 80; Lower Brandywine ch 14 70; New Castle ch 100 42, Sab-

seh 103 03 = 293 45; Port Deposit ch 23 78, Sab-seh 30 26 = 54 04. *Pby of Washington City*—First ch Alexandria, Va 49 15 888 49

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Union ch 12; Chillicothe Sab-seh 40. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Pilgrim ch 4; 5th ch Cincinnati 42 32; Lebanon ch 41; Lane Seminary 15 77; Pleasant Run ch 12; 2d ch Cincinnati 18 51; Montgomery ch 13; 7th ch Cincinnati 77 13; Somerset ch Sab-seh 14 65; Goshen ch 14; 3d ch Cincinnati, to con J Thompson *Mass Life Member* 40. *Pby of Dayton*—Bethel ch 8; Monroeville ch 13 45; Riley ch 7, Rev C H Raymond 10 = 17; 1st ch Dayton 100; Dick's Creek ch 23; Oxford ch 41 20; Monroe ch Sab-seh 16. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Ripley Sab-seh, for Gaboon 30; Jackson Sab-seh 22 10; Manchester ch 10 19; Red Oak ch 16 95; Eckmansville ch 12; 1st ch Gallipolis 20 674 30

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—First ch La Fayette 14. *Pby of Mahoning*—Canfield ch 22, Sab-seh, for Navajoes 5 = 27. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Rock Hill ch 18 46; Crab Apple ch 49 05; St Clairsville Sab-seh, to sup boy at Mynpurie 40; Bethel Sab-seh 12 50; Cambridge ch 153. *Pby of Steubenville*—Richmond Sab-seh 5 50; 1st ch Sab-seh Steubenville 25 50; Oak Ridge ch 18; New Cumberland ch 11; Canonsburg ch 11; Big Spring ch Sab-seh 3 40 389 01

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Pomeroy Sab-sch, for Syria 11 60. *Pby of Columbus*—Blenden ch 10; 2d ch Columbus 237 50; 1st ch Columbus 355 24, of which two individuals 125, for debt 32 55, Sab-sch 100 = 487 79. *Pby of Marion*—York ch 24; Brown ch 7 60; Marysville ch 19; Iberia ch 6. *Pby of Wooster*—Wooster ch 106 40; Keene ch 22; W Salem ch 10, Miss L S Stonerod 10, Sab-sch 1 92 = 21 92; Congress Sab-sch 2 67; Ashland ch 58 90; Savannah ch, to con Jno Chambers *Life Member* 30, Sab-sch 9 50 = 39 50; Hayesville ch 37 67, Sab-sch 10 = 47 67; McKay ch 11 41; Canal Fulton ch 14 73. *Pby of Zanesville*—First ch Newark 13; Ruraldale ch 5 20; Martinsburg ch 10 70; 1st ch Zanesville 30 72 1,188 28

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—North ch 31 81; Cross Roads ch 20; Fairmount ch 14; Plains ch 16; Sharpsburg ch 100; Providence ch 20; Leetsdale ch 45 91; Bull Creek Sab-sch 15; Sewickley ch 320. *Pby of Butler*—Portersville ch 9 35; Jefferson Summit ch 8 52; Scrub Grass ch Sab-sch 22; Ebenezer ch 32 60. *Pby of Clarion*—Callensburg ch 11; 1st ch Clarion 50 50; Rehoboth ch 21 45; Licking ch 25; Leatherwood ch 15, Sab-sch 3, for Rev H Corbett = 18; Gohelen Sab-sch, for Chefoo sch. China 7; Frostburg Sab-sch, for Chefoo sch 6 48; Greenville Sab-sch, for Chefoo sch 29. *Pby of Erie*—Belle Valley ch 9 16; Oil City ch 71 57; Cherry Tree ch 5; Westminster Sab-sch, Erie, to con W S Wright *Life Member* 30; Lake Road Miss sch 3 25; East Greene ch 6; 1st ch Titusville 85; Pittsfield ch 10; Garland ch 3 15; Greenville ch 57 35; Georgetown ch 24, Sab-sch 10 = 34; Franklin ch 50. *Pby of Kittanning*—Slate Lick ch 27 50, Sab-sch 22 50, Young Ladies Miss'y Soc'y 11 = 61; Brady's Bend ch 28 11; Cherry Tree ch 32 66; Freeport ch 59; Apollo ch 46 07. *Pby of Shenango*—Clarksville ch 48 75; Unity ch 213 78 1,681 47

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Cayuga ch 10 10; Cong'l ch, Cayuga 14 26. *Pby of Chemung*—Hector ch 5 50. *Pby of Geneva*—Penn Yan ch 134 95; United ch, Phelps, to con Rev D D McColl and Mrs Rebecca McColl *Life Members* 76; Newfield ch 6; Seneca Falls ch 62 96; 1st ch Seneca 100; 1st ch Ithaca 343. *Pby of Lyons*—Rose ch 6. *Pby of Steuben*—Naples ch 14; Bath ch 27 50 805 27

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Landisburg ch 15; 1st ch Harrisburg 22 31; Silver Springs ch 32 83; Hogestown ch 5 17; Gettysburg ch 29 70, Sab-sch 21 06 = 50 76; 7th St ch Harrisburg 20; Shippensburg ch 69 80; Paxton ch 68 35, Sab-sch 10 = 78 35; Middletown ch 28 55. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Upper Tuscarora ch 52 50, Sab-sch 7 65 = 60 45; Phillipsburg ch 5 69; Bradford ch 2 91; Kylertown ch 3 60; Bedford ch 58, to con Wm McClay Hall, Mrs Anna Cramer, and Mrs Virginia B Tate *Life Members*, Sab-sch 4 = 62; Birmingham ch 450; Huntingdon Sab-sch, Infant class, for sch in Canton 30; Spring Creek ch Sab-sch 33, Infant class 7 25 = 41 25; Pine Grove Mills ch 17 54, Sewing Soc'y 23 25 = 40 79; Snow Shoe ch 4; Bellefonte ch 50; Milesburg ch 25; Hollidaysburg ch 39 78, Children of Jos Robinson 1 44 = 41 22. *Pby of Northumberland*—Mifflinsburg ch 11 63; Orangeville ch 11 25; Grove ch 85, Sab-sch 30 = 115; Washington ch 29 54; Mahoning ch 34 18; Jersey Shore ch 90 50; 1st ch Williamsport Sab-sch, for Brazil 15, to ed girt at Delra 33, Miss Wilson's Bible class to sup girt at Delra 22 25 = 70 25; Great Island Sab-sch 12 83 1,523 86

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Chatsworth ch 8 58, Samuel Fosdick 5 = 13 53; Chenoa ch 19 32; Clinton ch 50 95; Paxton ch 10; Homer ch 18 80; 1st ch Champaign 75 11, Sab-sch 19 27 = 94 38; Tolono ch 32; Towanda ch 28, Sab-sch 6 = 34; Pontiac ch 86 03; Washington ch 7 75, Sab-sch 4 25 = 12. *Pby of Peoria*—Atlantic ch 4; Lewistown ch 50 91; Delavan ch 34 50, Sab-sch 5 = 39 50; Farmington ch, Margaret Simpson 5; French Grove Sab-sch 6; Henry ch, Mrs Mateer's Infant class 2 75; Ipava ch 25; Princeville Sab-sch 26; Canton ch 9 80; 1st ch Peoria, A S McKinney 10, Sab-sch 50 = 60; Prospect ch 54 50; Oneida ch 9 25. *Pby of*

*Schuyler*—Good Hope ch 11; Ebenezer ch 17; Macomb ch 41; 1st ch Monmouth 54; Fountain Grove ch 10; Camp Creek ch 24; Pittsfield ch 7. *Pby of Springfield*—Irish Grove ch 14 50; 3d ch Springfield 35 15; 1st ch Springfield 179 24 1,056 65

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—First ch Kankakee 18 40; Jefferson Park ch, Chicago 206 70, Sab-sch 144 28 = 350 98; North ch Sab-sch, Chicago 24. *Pby of Freeport*—Woodstock ch 7 50; 1st ch Winnebago 3 73; 1st ch Rockford 100; 1st ch Warren 20; Foreston Ger ch 10; Cedarville ch 32. *Pby of Ottawa*—Earlville ch 16; Union Grove ch 8; Farm Ridge ch 16 75; Somonauk ch 7 25; 1st ch Aurora 12. *Pby of Rock River*—Edgington ch 15; Pleasant Ridge ch 3 50; Andover ch 7; North Henderson ch 35 651 11

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—New Salem ch 4; Pleasant Ridge ch 6; Chester ch 10 25; 1st ch Alton 56 25; Salem Ger ch 16; Waveland ch 6. *Pby of Cairo*—Goulda ch 10; Richland ch 16; Hermon ch 4; 1st ch Du Quoin, to con Rev Peter S Van Nest *Life Member* 50; Shawneetown ch 29 65; Salem ch 7 10; Flora ch 14; Zion Ger ch, Fosterburg 10. *Pby of Mattoon*—Neoga ch 13 13; Hebron ch 6; West Okau ch 21. 239 33

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—First ch La Fayette 57 85; 1st ch Delphi 22 45, Sab-sch 17 57 = 41 02; Lebanon ch 23 51; Lexington ch 19 20, Sab-sch 11 18 = 30 38; Rinsville ch 17, Sab-sch 18 = 35; Eugene ch 6; Rossville ch 5; 1st Crawfordsville ch 12, Sab-sch 11 50 = 23 50; Bethany ch 25. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—First ch Goshen 32 67; Albion ch 5 75, dying bequest of a child 25 cis = 6. *Pby of Logansport*—First ch La Porte 19, Sab-sch 11 = 30; Monticello ch 24 41; 2d ch Logansport 100; 1st ch Plymouth 8. *Pby of Muncie*—Hartford ch 3; Union City ch 10, Rev J W Drake 5 = 15 466 35

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Union ch 10 50; Southport ch 10 53; Shiloh ch 6; 2d ch Terre Haute 17; 5th ch Indianapolis 7; Bloomington ch 58 20; Hopewell ch 32. *Pby of New Albany*—Second ch New Albany 259 65; Orleans ch 5; Vernon ch 27, Sab-sch 7, Infant Class 3, Vernon Night-sch 7 = 44; North Vernon ch 8; 5th ch Madison 75 60; Hanover ch 17 50; Jefferson ch 2; Pleasant Township ch 7. *Pby of Vincennes*—Evansville ch 101 45; Mitchell ch 18. *Pby of White Water*—First ch Richmond 27; Knightstown ch 7; Dunlapsville ch 11 729 43

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Shiloh ch 5 10; 1st ch Wyoming 15 88; Anamora ch 2; Marion ch 53 21, Sab-sch 21 25 = 74 46; Central ch, Shellsburg 7 30; 2d ch Cedar Rapids 12 73, Sab-sch 17 05, Jos C McClelland's Miss'y Box 2 52 = 32 30; Farfax ch 2; 2d ch Vinton 20. *Pby of Dubuque*—Lansing ch 10; Bellevue ch 10; Hopkinton ch 22; Rossville ch 3 50; Lime Springs ch 6; Liberty ch 8; Byron Centre ch 3 50; Epworth ch 4. *Pby of Waterloo*—Clarksville ch 12; Toledo ch 7 245 04

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—First ch Corydon 5 30; 1st ch Indianola 5; Newbern ch 2; Albia ch 8, Rev J M Batchelder 4 = 12. *Pby of Iowa*—Kossuth ch 45 75, Sab-sch 10 = 55 75; Winfield ch 7 95, Sab-sch 6 = 13 95; Bloomfield ch 9 25; Eddyville ch 9; Ottumwa ch 3 50; Croton ch 5; Batavia ch 18; Central ch, Mayfield 10; New London ch 17; Middletown ch 31 25, Sab-sch 1 75 = 33; Fairfield ch 37 57; Salina ch 4, Sab-sch 3 = 7. *Pby of Iowa City*—Washington ch 40; Mechanicsville ch 8 85; Crawfordsville ch 12 60, R E Bennett 5 = 17 60; Red Oak ch 9 25; Hermon ch, Melpine 2 60; Martinsburg ch 5 30; Le Claire ch James Jack, and wife 5; Liberty ch 2 50; La Fayette ch 4. *Pby of Missouri River*—First ch Nebraska City 51 50; Brownville ch 40 429 47

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Colorado*—Upper St Vrain ch 5; Boulder Valley ch 11 50; 1st ch Denver 28 05. *Pby of Highland*—Highland ch 8 25. *Pby of Nesho*—Carlyle ch 17 60; Geneva ch 10. *Pby of Topeka*—First ch Topeka, Mrs Mary V Hart 10 90 40



SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezzer*—First ch Lebanon 18; Ashland 1st ch 61 85; Burlington ch. J M Preston 50 129 85

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Tompkins Ave ch 13 33; La Fayette Ave ch, Cumberland st Miss'y sch, to snr reader in Syria 25; 1st ch Sab-sch Edgewater, S I 10 58; 1st ch Brooklyn, Henry st 1,400 55; Genavey ch 38 10; German ch Sab-sch, Williamsburg, English Dept 26; South 3d st ch, Williamsburg 47 04; 1st ch, Reimsen st 72 11; Throop Ave ch 22 84. *Pby of Long Island*—Southold ch 30; Bridge Hampton ch 48; Islip ch 17; Middletown ch and Sab-sch 42 96; Setauket ch 10; Southampton ch 100. *Pby of Nassau*—Fresh Pond ch 16, Children's Memorial 20 = 36; Astoria ch 24 69 1,964 20

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Lyons ch 34, Sab-sch 4 = 33; Trenton ch 24 25. *Pby of Grand Rapids*—Grand Rapids ch 22 59; Mission ch, Grand Traverse 46 82. *Pby of Saginaw*—First ch Saginaw City 50 181 66

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Mankato*—First ch South Bend 2 30; Union ch, St Peter 43. *Pby of St Paul*—First ch Wilmar 1 25; 1st ch Harrison 2 30; 1st ch Redwing 20 90. *Pby of Winona*—First ch Rochester 9 35; Albert Lea ch 8; Lake City ch 17 80, Sab-sch 20 70 = 38 50; Winona ch 10, Sab-sch 10 = 20 150 60

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Bethel ch 30; Warrensburg ch 15 60, Sab-sch, Anna Wyker, dec'd 1 = 16 60. *Pby of Palmyra*—Brookfield ch 5. *Pby of Platte*—Rosendale ch 8. *Pby of St Louis*—Second ch St Louis 200, High St ch 30 289 60

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Westminster ch 514, Memorial for Gaboon 25 = 5 9; 2d ch Elizabeth 149 13; 2d ch Plainfield 1 37; Central ch, Summit 10; 1st ch Rahway 10 32, Sab-sch, Laura Woodruff 3 = 13 32; 2d ch Rahway 100; Springfield ch 74 57; 1st ch Woodbridge 50. *Pby of Jersey City*—Englewood ch 128; Tenify ch 85 46. *Pby of Monmouth*—Port Washington ch 8 25, Sab-sch 8 70 = 16 95; 2d ch Cranbury 101 35; Tom's River Sab-sch to sup child at Lodiana 59 05; Shrewsbury ch 72; Manchester ch 20; Jamesburg ch 130; Mt Holly ch 64 39, Sab-sch 20 = 84 39. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Second ch Mendham 135; Logansville Sab-sch 3 50; Madison ch 222 80; 1st ch Morris-town 156 67, Legacy of two children for purchase of Bibles 20 = 176 67; Chester ch 88; Dover ch, to con Mrs. J L Allen, *Life Member* 120. *Pby of Newark*—Third ch Newark 416 35; Wickliffe ch, mo con 15 05; High st ch, Newark 50. *Pby of New Brunswick*—First ch Trenton 201 25; 4th ch Trenton 254 99; 1st ch Lambertville 310 33 Sab-sch 65 15, to sup Belle Studdford, Dehra 50 = 425 48; Holland ch 11; Kingston ch 83 49; 3d ch Trenton 133 60, for California 35 = 168 60; Milford ch 23 84, Sab-sch 17 66 = 41 50; Stockton ch 18 43, Sab-sch 3 70 = 22 22; 2d ch Trenton 31. *Pby of Newton*—Marksboro ch 18 25; North Hardston ch 30; 2d ch Belvidere 100; Danville ch 25 56, Sab-sch 16 86, Miss Vanness' class 50 cts = 42 92; Stillwater ch 20; Swartswood ch 5 33; Deckertown ch 25. *Pby of West Jersey*—West ch, Bridgeton 77; 1st ch Bridgeton 450; May's Landing Sab-sch 10; 1st ch Camden, "A Family" 30 50; 2d ch Camden 45; Bunker Hill ch 6; Glassboro ch 9, Sab-sch for Peking 20 = 29; Williamstown ch 50; Brainard ch Sab-sch, Batsto, for China 3 5,339 16

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—London-derry ch 36 42, Ladies' Association 24 07, Gent's Association 23 25 = 83 74. *Pby of Hudson*—Florida ch 5; 1st ch Hamptonburg 90 15; Stony Point ch 21, Sab-sch 35 = 56; Circleville ch 16 22; Goshen ch 110 73; Mt Hope ch 30, Sab-sch 10 = 40; Port Jervis ch 23, Sab-sch, for sup of sch at Dehra 10 = 35; 1st ch Calhoun, Jefferson and Youngsville 9; Peru ch 7 15; Monroe ch 10; Cohecton ch 7 25, Sab-sch 4 = 11 25. *Pby of New York*—Scotch ch 1,094; Fifth Av and Nineteenth St ch 14,112 60; 1st ch 187 30; Brick ch 95 45; Brick ch chapel 7 81; Fourteenth St ch 20 36; Forty-second St ch 113 20; University Place ch 4,569 01; Phillips ch 53 16; West ch Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n, to ed girl in Syria 100; 4th ch Sab-

sch, for China 80. *Pby of North River*—Little Britain ch 14 10; Middle Hope ch 11 62, Sab-sch 5 45 = 17 07; Wappinger's Falls ch 19 13; Rondont ch 300, Sab-sch 100 = 400; Hughsonville ch 8 75; Smithfield ch 48; New Hamburg ch 23 16; Pine Plains ch 20; Calvary ch, Newburg 36 14; Canterbury ch 16. *Pby of Westchester*—Yorktown ch Sab-sch 24; 1st ch West Farms 13 50; 1st ch Hartford 195; 1st ch Peekskill 33 19; Port Chester ch Sab-sch 10 22,085 17

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Benicia*—Napa City ch 34. *Pby of Oregon*—Eugene City ch 8 75. *Pby of Sacramento*—Placerville ch 40 50 83 25

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Oxford ch 187 05, Sab-sch 30 33, Union Sab-sch 5 = 222 38; Phoenixville ch 20; Coatesville ch 47; Great Valley ch 23; 1st ch Westchester 25. *Pby of Lackawanna*—First ch Troy 57, Sab-sch, for Rio 20 = 77; Scranton ch, Juv Miss'y Ass'n, to sup Miss Loring 147, A little girl for Syria 3 = 147; Rushville ch 2; Stevensville ch 3 30; 1st ch Hawley 9; Pieasant Mount ch 47 50; Wyoming ch, A B K 5, Sab-sch 5 = 10; Kingston ch 60, Sab-sch 60 91 = 120 91; Meshoppen ch 5; Meshopp-pany ch 3; Eckley Sab-sch 9; Wilkesbarre ch 175; Montrose ch 10; Wyalusing ch 20; Herrick ch 5; 1st Susquehanna ch 98 08. *Pby of Lehigh*—Shenandoah ch 12 85; Hazleton ch 63 10; Bush-kill Sab-sch, to sup sch at Chefoo 18; 1st ch Mauch Chunk 217 84; Upper Mt Bethel ch 15, Sab-sch at Portland 3 55 = 18 55; \* 31 83 credited last month to Lehigh Valley ch Sab-sch, should be Slaxington ch and Sab-sch. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Second ch 100 41, A friend 5 = 105 41; 1th ch 280 40, A Lady to ed two children at Benita 65. A member to con Rev Henry C McCook *Life Director* 100 = 445 40; Bethany ch Infant sch, to ed boy at Chefoo 50; 10th ch 139 25; 1-t ch 50; Walnut St ch 11 05. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Kensington Sab-sch 48 50; West Arch St ch 85 27; Cohocksink ch 134 72; Princeton ch 595; Hestonville ch 10; Spring Garden ch 93 02, Miss E A S 100, Miss A G 100, Miss J H F 100; Miss M A F 50, W K G 10, K K S 5 = 458 02. *Pby of Philadelphia North*—Toga St ch 68; Newportville Sab-sch 17 50; Providence ch, S P S, M K S, A T S 7 50; Newtown ch 79 64; Holmesburg ch 15 50; 1st ch Norristown 102 80; 2d ch Germantown, to ed child 45; Abington ch 35. *Pby of Westminster*—Sra-burg ch 12 51, Sab-sch 20 49 = 41 99; Bellevue ch 28 47; Union ch 25, Sab-sch 11 60 = 36 60; New Harmony ch 5, Sab-sch 2 50 = 7 50; Piqua ch 89 82, Sab-sch 12 = 101 82; Leacock ch 51 4,171 45

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—New Alexandria ch 145 08, Sab-sch 8 74 = 154 42; New Salem ch 62 93; Parnassus ch 66, Sab-sch 24 25 = 99 25; Black Lick ch 8 75; Harrison City ch Sab-sch 3 75. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Swissvale ch 35; Shady Side ch, Pittsburgh 211 06; Bellefield ch 55 58; Mrs Corning for ed among Indians 20 = 75 58; Concord Sab-sch 8 39; Forest Grove ch 50; East Liberty ch 29 19, Sab-sch 216 24 = 245 43; Hazlewood ch 29 23; Lebanon ch 22 14; Oakdale ch, two little girls 1 28; 4th ch Pittsburgh 48 31. *Pby of Redstone*—Connells-ville ch Sab-sch 8 17; Dunbar Union Sab-sch for Tunghchow 12 23; New Providence ch 25. *Pby of Washington*—West Alexander ch 208; Claysville ch 62, Sab-sch 8 = 70; Cross Roads ch 23, Sab-sch, to con Mr Daniel Crane *Life Member* 50 = 73; 1st ch Wheeling, colored Sab-sch 6 26; 1st ch Wheeling 240; 4th ch Wheeling 15 47; New Cumberland Sab-sch, to con Mrs Melisse G Atkinson and Thomas Miller *Life Members* 72 95; Cross Creek ch Sab-sch 18; Mt Prospect ch 85 37, Sab-sch 5 = 90 37. *Pby of West Virginia*—Morgantown ch 11; French Creek ch 7; Buckhannon ch 8; Clarksburg ch 7 1,938 99

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Kingsport*—Bethel ch 16, Ladies' Miss'y Ass'n 16 = 32; Mars Hill Sab-sch 12. *Pby of New Orleans*—Second German ch New Orleans 10. *Pby of Union*—Knoxville ch, Ten-penny a day coll, for Persian Mission, and to con Miss Sallie J Bachman *Life Member* 112 166 00

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—First ch Bucyrus 68 55; West Liberty ch 9 23, Sab-sch



3 41 = 12 64; Kenton ch 18 30. *Phy of Lima*—1st ch Findlay 130; 1st ch Sidney 21, Sab-sch 10 = 31; Onawa ch 6; Wapakoneta ch 5. *Phy of Maumee*—West Bethesda ch 25; 1st ch Defiance, Mrs Dr. J Colby 10; Union Sab-sch 5; 2d ch Toledo 4 25

SYNOD OF UTICA—*Phy of Binghamton*—First ch Union 20. *Phy of Olsego*—Head of Delaware ch 20 50; Oneonta ch 20. *Phy of St Lawrence*—Waddington ch 13; 1st ch Gouverneur 75 20; 2d ch Oswegatchie 32, Sab-sch 20 = 52; 1st ch Watertown 322; Canton ch 44 55. *Phy of Syracuse*—First ch Oswego 147 65. Infant sch, to sup girls' sch at Sidon 25 = 172 65; Park Central ch, Syracuse, to con Rev E G Thurber and J G K Truair *Life Members* 200, Miss'y Soc'y to ed Chinese girl 60, to sup native teacher in China 120 = 380; Homer Cong'l Sab-sch, to ed boy at Beirut 51; Hannibal ch 10. *Phy of Utica*—Westminster ch, Utica 85 10; Mt Vernon ch 40; 1st ch Augusta 51 53 1,356 86

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Phy of Buffalo*—Jamestown ch 125 32, to con Dr E T Foote *Life Director* 100 = 2.5 52. *Phy of Genesee*—Wyoming ch 24 75; Warsaw ch 46; Perry ch 46; Portageville ch 18 50, Sab-sch 22 (a = 41 10. *Phy of Niagara*—Lewiston ch 17; Somerset ch, to con Rev L B Rogers *Life Member* 31 05; Albion ch 52. *Phy of Rochester*—Lima ch 115 86; Moscow ch 15, Sab-sch 22 = 37; 1st ch Rochester 131 67; Union ch of Tuscarora and Union Corners 8, from Pastor 5 = 13; Nunda ch, to con Frank McNair and Mrs Polly Ashley *Life Members* 75 855 75

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Phy of Chippewa*—Neshanock ch 12, Sab-sch 5 = 17; 1st ch Hudson 10, Sab-sch 4 = 14. *Phy of Milwaukee*—Holland ch 10 33; 1st ch Ottawa 5, Sab-sch 5 50 = 10 50; Granville Ger ch 3. *Phy of Winneago*—Weyawega ch 2; De Pere ch 13; Neenah ch 68 36. *Phy of Wisconsin River*—First Ger ch Sab-sch Hazel Green ch 5; Lodi ch 5 90, Sab-sch 2 50 = 8 40 151 59

Total receipts from churches, \$52,123 35

LEGACIES.—Bequest of Martha Parks, dec'd, Peoria, Ill 16 50; Bequest of Mrs Rachel Pollock dec'd, Martinsburg, Ohio 4; Legacy of John Wilson, Sr, dec'd, West Kishacoquillas, Pa 201; Legacy of Hugh McMullen, dec'd, Carroll Co, Ohio, less exp 824 47; Legacy of Daniel Negley, dec'd 26 80; Bequest of Mrs Roxanna Smith, Pa 14 15; Legacy of Mrs E Lloyd, dec'd, Tiffin, Ohio 163 48; Patterson Estate 18 26 1,267 66

SYNOD OF REF PRESB CHURCH.—Second Ref Presb ch Sab-sch, Phila 50 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—New Year's Offering, Rev H R Wilson, D.D 10; Rev H R Wilson, Jr 5; Jas L, Bessie L, and Mary L Wilson 15; Helphinstone Miss'y Soc'y, Washington, Ind 16 20; Rev John Pirkn and family, Milfordon, Ohio 11; D M H 10; "Friend to Missions" 100; J D L, Phila 50; Rev H W McKee 2; Cath P Coleman 8; Miss Esther Newton 5; Family offering 1; Rev Thos S Childs, D.D 10; Miss'y Box of J M D's son 50 cts; A B Cherry, Knoxville, Iowa 11 26; Hugh T McNair's family Miss'y Box, Memorial for Corisco 20; Wilkesbarre 100; A Friend 6 85; Rev E D Wells, Lawrenceville, Pa 5; Miss M K 5; H M Lane 5; A few Friends for Rawal Pindi 55; A P Cumming, N Y 100; Little Katie Mand's First Offering 5; Emma 50 cts; Reno 50 cts; Miss M A 1; Mrs Mary A Green, Mott Haven 5; A Chapman M D, Alquina, Ind 10; A Friend, Crawfordsville 20; Dr A M Bruen 500; Lizzie and Willie's Miss'y Box 1; "S." Canonsburg, Pa, for Chinese in Cal 2 51; Ger Burlingame 5; Rev J W Wilson 2; Miss E A 1; Mrs S E S 2; C W 1; S F G 10; E W S, for Chinese in Cal 5; Thank Offering, J K P 100; Little Mary Hows 3 18; F K 110; S M H 100; S F N 10; A D Taylor, Butler, Mo 7; Thank Offering 10; Little Willie Bergen 1; Mrs D Stuart Dodge, for sup of Teachers in Girls' sch at Beirut 500; Friends in Ill 50; Vernon, Conn, Sab-sch, for Beirut 26; Rev G S Boardman, D.D 40; J M B 4; Rev S G Clark, Highland Institute, Memorial for Gaboon 10; J M and E Eddy 50; A

Friend to con Miss Helen Thompson *Life Director* 200; A Presbyterian Family, Trenton, N J 305; Ref ch Sab-sch, Hackensack, for India 21; Ladies' Mite Soc'y Lawrenceville, Pa 36 50; J W Mc. Sommerville, Ohio 5; J L Glenn 5; Mrs J L Parke, Canonsburg, Pa, Memorial Offering 50; Rev J Logan Sample 20; S McLaughlin, Hookstown, Pa 5; John Dildine, New Waterford, Ohio 8 3,244 99

Total Receipts in January, 1871,	\$56,686 00
Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870,	\$131,549 79
Special contributions for the debt—	
Amount previously acknowledged	\$39,510 00
A Friend	500 00
	\$40,010 00

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OUR MISSIONARY WORK.

In order that the Church may get a glimpse of the extent of the missionary work performed by the Board of Publication, we will mention that at the January meeting of the Board, the following was reported by its Missionary Committee in regard to grants and colportage appointments, made in the month preceding.

The Committee had made forty-four *grants* of the Board's publications, amounting to \$1,365.01, for use or distribution as follows :

To Spain, . . .	1	To Delaware, . . .	1
To St. Domingo, . . .	2	To Minnesota, . . .	2
To Creek Indians, . . .	1	To California, . . .	1
To Illinois, . . .	5	To District of Columbia, . . .	1
To Ohio, . . .	2	To Iowa, . . .	1
To Pennsylvania, . . .	7	To Indiana, . . .	1
To North Carolina, . . .	2	To South Carolina, . . .	1
To Washington Territory, . . .	1	To Kansas, . . .	1
To New York, . . .	4	To New Jersey, . . .	2
To Missouri, . . .	3	To Nebraska, . . .	1
To Michigan, . . .	2		

Of these forty-four grants, twenty-two were made to pastors, missionaries and others, and were mainly of cheap books and tracts for gratuitous distribution in their several vicinities; fifteen were made to needy and mission Sabbath-schools, and comprised library books, catechisms, hymn-books, &c.; and five were for the use of freedmen in their schools or otherwise.

The committee also reports the appointment of *eleven colporteurs* within the month, whose fields of labor were distributed as follows :

In Ohio, . . .	1	In Pennsylvania, . . .	1
In Wisconsin, . . .	1	In Minnesota, . . .	2
In Tennessee, . . .	2	In Kansas, . . .	1
In Illinois, . . .	2	In Indiana, . . .	1

The Missionary Fund of the Board is running very low, and its friends are earnestly appealed to to send liberal contributions. The whole work of the

Board was never so full of promise for good to the Church and the world. We hope that liberal Presbyterians will not allow this work to be hindered for lack of money.

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#### WESTMINSTER SABBATH-SCHOOL LESSONS.

This series of Lessons for our Sabbath-schools, issued by the Board of Publication, has proved a success. In fact, the demand for them became at first a source of great embarrassment. Owing to the nature of the publication, embracing Scholar-papers and Teacher-papers in separate packages, and arranged for use, some time was needed for their preparation. The orders that flowed in soon carried off all of the first edition, and then accumulated in a pile, awaiting each its turn for being filled and dispatched. Although *five presses* were got at work on them, many good Sunday-school men had an opportunity for the exercise of the grace of patience whilst awaiting the appearance of their papers. In fact, some of the brethren had that grace worn so thin that there was some danger of its giving out! However, all back orders were overtaken, and now the First Six Months of the Westminster Lessons can be promptly furnished to all who need them. It should be understood that in this course the Lessons are not specifically fixed for certain Sabbaths; the series can be taken up at any time.

The "Second Six Months" of the series is now being stereotyped. It continues the course of study announced at the opening of the year. Arrangements have been made to meet the *only serious objection* we have heard to the lessons, by *diminishing the price of the Scholar-papers*. Other improvements will be introduced, so as to make this course of Bible study still more popular with intelligent and earnest Sabbath-school teachers.

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#### MEXICO.

In the January number of our MONTHLY RECORD, we gave place to a short article calling for help to send the truth to Mexico. It gave us much pleasure to receive at an early day the following prompt response from an army officer in Oregon:

"I have just read in the RECORD for January, a paragraph headed 'Mexico,' which confirms impressions derived from other sources, in regard to the religious aspect of that interesting field at the present time.

"Enclosed I send a check to your order, for forty dollars, coin, which I desire shall be used for the purchase of Spanish tracts and other religious works which you shall find most needed, and which shall seem best adapted to spread the knowledge of the truth, and thereby promote the cause of pure Christianity in that interesting, but hitherto priest-ridden land.

"Her immediate proximity to us, seems to impose upon us an interesting responsibility to go in and possess the land."

We would also acknowledge the receipt of twenty-five dollars for the same purpose from the Sabbath-school of the Walnut Street Church, Philadelphia.

In addition to the Spanish tracts and books heretofore published by the



Board, we have just stereotyped and are printing two little works of great value. They are being published in response to very earnest requests from the most intelligent laborers in this urgent field. One of them, *La Verdadera Cuestion*, or "The True Question," brings out the gospel way of salvation as opposed to the Romish scheme, in the form of a discussion; the other, *La Verdadera Libertad*, or, "The True Liberty," is an unfolding and commendation of the way of life in an uncontroversial mode. We shall send these, with other Spanish books and tracts, not only to Mexico, but also to other Spanish American lands, and to old Spain, as freely and as fast as the friends of the cause will furnish the means. We assure them that *now* is the time to throw into Mexico the light of life. We have passed by our wounded neighbor. We have suffered her to languish for the lack of what we have and can and should bestow. Let us hasten to repair our error.

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#### FROM NEW MEXICO.

The Rev. J. A. Annin, to whom a package of publications in Spanish and English, from our Board, was given, for use in New Mexico, thus wrote in acknowledgment from Las Vegas:

"I can give you but little idea of the state of things in this place—the degradation, the ignorance, and the terrible immorality. A very large proportion of the non-Mexican population are German Jews, many of them atheistic or infidel, and none of them (almost of course) caring for the success of a Presbyterian minister. A large proportion of the very few American men who are here are living in sin and shame; few have any regard for my work. Two of the business men of the place, however, have offered to put me in possession of a good lot of ground whenever I am ready to say that buildings shall be put upon it.

"Your Spanish publications I would greatly desire in considerable quantities. I have put a number of '*Andres Dunn*,' in circulation and desire more. I am using also the Shorter Catechism and shall use it more and more, I think. I do not wish you to think, however, that I have done nothing with the excellent and invaluable English tracts, &c., which you sent me. I have thought indeed that to circulate them among the people of Las Vegas, considering their great ignorance and degradation, would come clearly under the head of our Saviour's language about *casting pearls*, &c., yet I have had a number of *good opportunities* of circulating them, and have availed myself of almost every opportunity I have known of. Not unfrequently a large company of soldiers pass through the place. In almost every case where I have known of soldiers being in town, I have gone with a good bundle and given them to the "boys." They have received the tracts willingly and gladly, and in many cases have promised to read them, almost no one refusing to receive them. Sometimes they have received the tracts very *greedily*, running for them as chickens run for corn. I have prayed and do pray that those precious pages may as good seed yield good fruit, but it is quite probable that neither you nor I shall ever know much of the results.

"I need more Spanish publications. I organized a church in March last, with eight members. It now numbers twenty-one, and I think there will be thirty by spring; almost none of them live in Las Vegas, but at distances of fifteen, forty, and eighty miles. There is an element of this population disaffected, I am told, to the Romish church, and ready to adopt something better. Pray for us."

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#### HAND-BOOK FOR FUNERALS.

The Rev. Dr. W. P. Breed, of Philadelphia, has prepared for the use of his brethren in the ministry a "Hand-book for Funerals." It is small enough to be conveniently carried in the pocket, and yet has good, clear, large type. It is divided into four parts.

*The first part* embraces selections of Scripture passages arranged under various heads. First, come those relating to the divine Sovereignty. Then follow others on the brevity of life, the certainty of death, and the woes of the Great Sufferer. After these come Scriptures adapted to the various ages and conditions of the departed, followed by others on affliction, resignation and consolation, closing with the resurrection and heaven. From these the pastor can select at his discretion.

In the *second* and *third parts* some of these passages are grouped together in services, for use at the house of mourning and at the grave. These may be used entire, or with such additions or omissions as the judgment may dictate or the occasion require.

The *fourth part* includes brief passages from the poets, adapted to various occasions, to be used at will in connection with the Scriptures. Price 50 cents, for which it will be sent by mail to any address.

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#### DISTRIBUTIONS IN THE TERRITORIES.

Through various agencies this Board is endeavoring to scatter its publications all over the land, and especially to place them in the hands of the scattered and needy sheep of our own denominational fold. In the territories of Colorado, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming, that indefatigable laborer for the Master, the Rev. Sheldon Jackson, has been actively instrumental in distributing large supplies. In a letter recently received from him, he writes thus:

"The boxes of tracts were received in good order, I divided them into twenty packages, endeavoring as far as possible to put at least one tract of each kind in a package, and one of these assorted packages has been placed in the hands of every Presbyterian minister in the territories of Wyoming, Utah, and Colorado. Also a package was sent to the Rev. John Brown at Elko, Nevada. The other books sent will be distributed, one to each child of every Presbyterian minister in these territories, as a gift from the Presbyterian Board of Publication. I thought this would be a good way to make our ministers acquainted with the publications of the Board and at the same time to gladden many hearts."

"One of the ministers to whom I gave an assorted package of tracts is reading them himself in order to know whom in his congregation they will fit. His elder also has taken some for the same purpose. The minister said to his elder, 'Take good sight, and when you get a centre shot, let fly.'

"I have also sent a number of tracts to a few of the military posts in Wyoming, so that now my supply of tracts is exhausted. Please send me a new supply, just as many as you can afford to distribute in these territories. The Sabbath schools at Corinne, Utah, and Elko, Nevada, solicit donations of the '*Children's Praise*.' Also several little churches desire donations of Hymn Books, and will be very thankful for anything you can send them."

Since the receipt of this letter a large box has been dispatched to Mr. Jackson. Who can estimate the importance of scattering this good seed throughout those wide regions where new towns and churches are rapidly springing into life? The calls are very many. They are calls from men in whom we have the fullest confidence, our own ministers; and they are for what we know they need for the proper performance of the work of the Church entrusted to them. But, Christian reader, it costs much money to send out these supplies, and the Missionary Fund of the Board is running low. We must receive contributions to carry forward this work, or it must soon stop. Will not *you* send such an amount of help as you can, and send it soon?

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#### HELP FOR THE FREEDMEN.

The Board of Publication has during the past year made a great many grants of its publications to missionaries and teachers laboring among the Freedmen in every part of the South. Indeed, not a single application, approved by the General Assembly's Freedmen's Committee, has been refused. The eagerness with which books and tracts are sought for by this large and interesting class of our population, is most remarkable. Having lately acquired the unrestrained privilege of learning to read, the acquirement has all the zest of novelty. The earnest desire of many of them to read the Bible and all that can throw light on its teachings, is one of the most pleasant aspects of their present feelings. While they are always rejoiced to get Sabbath-school library books, in many cases there is a remarkable readiness to learn the Shorter Catechism, of which admirable standard of our Church large numbers have been sent to them. We quote a few lines from a letter received from a female teacher of a Freedman's school in South Carolina. A grant of Shorter Catechisms, &c., had been sent to her school at her earnest request. "The books were most gratefully received. The faces of my class brightened on Sabbath when I presented to each a Shorter Catechism and told them the reward for committing it would be a nice little Testament. My class numbers about thirty. They take great interest in their Bible lessons and study remarkably well. It is a pleasure to teach them." While these colored people are thus eager to learn what is in God's own book, are there not multitudes who will gladly help the Board to send to them the pages of religious truth so much coveted?



## FROM ILLINOIS.

It is to be regretted that the world furnishes so large a part of the literature of the Presbyterian church. Our people find the world's literature so cheap and so ceaselessly pressed on them, that the books of our Board are overlooked. The library for our Sabbath-school given us by our Board, comes through you to us as a most valuable help in our pressing need. Our youth will now have access to a stream of pure and exhilarating truth, and will, we trust, through its sanctifying influence, be lifted higher in the true Christian life. Those books contain biography, history, missionary travels and experience, sketches of heathen life and of true Christian life, faithful delineations of the woes of sin and rebellion against God, and of the wrestlings, comforts, joys, and triumphs of the soul in passing from the valley of death to the celestial city. The Lord own and bless them as a means of grace to our whole congregation! May our people everywhere be helped to such libraries as a shield against the *Dime* books that are so rapidly depraving the taste of the youth of our land! We trust you may be able to sow this precious seed broadcast over our churches in the Northwest, and that, in due time, it may yield a great prairie harvest of praise and glory to God. S. H.

## DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE MISSIONARY FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, SINCE LAST ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Albany 3d ch	\$30 00	<i>Pby of Ogdensburg</i> —Heuvelton ch	3 00
Balston Centre ch	9 25	<i>Pby of Onondaga</i> —Pompey ch, Alvin Cooper	5 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Urbana ch	5 00	Baldwinsville 1st ch	9 10
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Panama ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Oxford</i> —Hamilton ch	5 00
West Aurora ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Morristown 1st ch	26 12
<i>Pby of Catskill</i> —Jewett ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Great Valley ch	7 50
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Clinton ch	16 50	<i>Pby of Philadelphia 2d</i> —Providence ch, C P S,	7 50
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Jefferson ch	5 00	M H S. and A Y S	7 50
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati 7th ch	41 09	<i>Pby of Philadelphia 3d</i> —Mantua 1st ch 25 00, Sab-	50 00
Somerset ch	5 20	sch 25	18 16
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Hudson 1st ch	25 00	West Chester 1st ch Sab-sch	25 00
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Slateville ch	20 00	Walnut Street ch Sab-sch, for Mexico	164 09
<i>Pby of DuBuque</i> —Pleasant Grove ch	3 10	Walnut Street ch	35 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Rahway 2d ch	45 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia 4th</i> —Manayunk ch	33 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Warren ch	20 00	Kensington 1st ch	13 20
<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Sigourney ch	1 50	<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Foreston German ch	50 00
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Columbus 2d ch	35 00	<i>Pby of Salem</i> —Walnut St ch, Evansville	3 00
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Monroe ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Augusta ch	8 75
Florida 1st ch	17 00	Rushville 1st ch	8 90
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Mascatine Ger 1st ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Spring Hills ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Shiloh ch	2 00	Belle Centre ch	16 00
<i>Pby of Ithaca</i> —Ithaca 1st ch	33 36	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Island Creek ch	18 77
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Windfield ch	4 83	<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Bellair ch	88 63
Eddyville ch	1 75	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy Second St ch	3 50
<i>Pby of Kaskaskia</i> —Salem German ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Lower Ten Mile ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Lafayette 1st ch	18 91	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Mays' Landing ch	10 00
Lafayette Sub-sch	6 80	Cedarville 1st ch	22 90
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Mauch Chunk 1st ch	28 07		
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Reidsville ch	9 00	MISCELLANEOUS.	
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —New Albany 2d ch	20 00	Rev L D Potter and family, Glendale	2 85
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Brick ch Missionary chapel	9 70	Rev John Newton and family	1 00
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Fort Scott 1st ch	2 73	Gen E B Babbitt, for Mexico	44 30
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Belvidere 1st ch	40 00	H K Corning, N Y	15 00
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Pleasant Valley ch	11 00	A B Curtiss, Ballston, N Y	5 00
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Lewistown ch	5 00		
			\$1216 66

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## BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

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### A VOICE FROM THE WEST.

A Home Missionary writes thus: "The work of Church Erection and Home Missions must go hand in hand and keep step, as they advance from field to field, over this uncultivated part of our country. When the people are gathered, there should *at once* be provided a place in which they may meet for worship. We work at every disadvantage, when we attempt to establish a church without a sanctuary. In many cases missionary work has been well begun, but after much expense of money and labor the beginning has been left to decline and utter failure, where, if a church building had been provided, all would have been saved and a permanent church established. To drop the seed by the wayside, or cast our bread upon the waters is a good work, not to be overlooked; but let the houseless missionary be absent for a few Sabbaths and no trace of his work is to be found. Let the same people and preacher be gathered into *their own* little church *paid for*, and you have the good work permanent and secure. Very few beginnings under such circumstances will prove failures. Unfortunately for us, the Church Erection work, at the West, is running too far behind the work of missions. Nearly six hundred churches planted by our Home Missionaries, at much expense to that Board, are without a shelter, not only to the great discomfort of their members and discouragement of the ministers, but also the great peril of utter collapse. Hard as it is on the missionary not to receive promptly his scanty allowance from the Board, better that fifty missionaries with their families should have to wait a month or two for the quarterly stipend, than that the Church Extension Treasury should be allowed to run dry. Of the two evils, the missionary himself (if he be struggling to build a church) would choose the former, rather than fail to receive the aid he so much needs for his church building. Upon the success of this undertaking depends his usefulness as a minister, and his character as a Christian; for he has pledged his word to the workmen and also to those who have paid their subscription, in expectation of seeing the building completed free of debt. How anxious he feels while the work is progressing, least the expected aid should fail him. No wonder he writes so many letters to the Secretary of the Board to know if the appropriation will be forthcoming in time.

"The day for dedication has come—the congregation are assembling, the mail arrives, and with it the treasurer's check for the sum appropriated by the Board. What a burden is rolled from the heart of that missionary and his people, as they stand up together before God, to dedicate to his service the work of their hands, this beautiful sanctuary. But let us reverse the case, the building has been completed, the workmen's bills are presented, but the promised and expected aid has not come. With what a heavy heart and shamed face is that minister compelled to tell his creditors he cannot meet his promise nor redeem his pledge, upon the strength of which the work had been performed. Now comes in distrust, perhaps malice prompts to slander, friends stand aloof, while enemies spring up, on every side, who malign the minister and slander the denomination that sent him, because he has failed to pay them their money. Does this picture seem to be overdrawn? I know a Home Missionary who has passed through precisely such experience twice within the last four years. Nor is his a solitary case. Scores of others, very similar, have occurred, and may now be found among our Home Missions. Such cases affect not only the *individual missionary* and the Board with which he is connected, but the entire Presbyterian Church. How

incalculably important then that the treasury of our Board of Church Erection be replenished, that it may be able *promptly* to send the aid it has promised, and upon the faith of which contracts have been formed and the work executed. The character of the missionary is too sacred to be sacrificed thus wantonly, through the parsimony of those whom God has made stewards in his household. Would that *all* our churches understood and felt the magnitude and importance of this great work, with a proper sense of the responsibility involved and *where* that responsibility rests.

"The Church must be stirred up to this work, in *heart, conscience, and purse* as she never yet has been, until 'the mountain of the Lord's House shall be established upon the tops of the mountain and all nations shall then be seen' flowing into it."

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, JANUARY 1871.

<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Salem Ger ch	\$5 00	<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —St Mary's, Shiloh ch	30 00
<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Sand Lake ch 6; Saratoga Springs Sab-seh, special 30; Ballston Centre ch 9 25	45 25	<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Belvidere 1st ch	41 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Pine Creek ch, special 14 87; Beaver ch, special 23 63; Cross Roads ch, special 14	52 47	<i>Pby of Ontario</i> —Mt Morris ch	46 23
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Lancaster ch 20; Buffalo North ch 50	70 00	<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Canonsburg ch 21; Pittsburgh ch 47 45	68 45
<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —Neshannock ch	40 51	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Fourth</i> —Old Pine St ch 63 12	63 12
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Salem ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Cohocksink Sab-seh 50; Mantua 1st ch 25; Mantua Sab-seh 51	125 00
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Spring Hill ch	7 70	<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Providence, S P S 2 50; M H S 2 50; A J S 2 50; Norristown 1st Sab-seh 50	57 50
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Mt Tabor ch 5; Mill Creek ch 2; Mt Pleasant ch 3; Oak Grove ch 2	12 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia, 3d</i> —Philadelphia, Olivet ch	24 05
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Zion Ger ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Pataskala</i> —Pataskala ch	10 10
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Chambersburg ch 89 65; Big Spring ch 56 41; Harrisburg ch 149 66	295 72	<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Morristown 1st ch	119 40
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Hixton ch 6; Winona Ger ch 1 50	7 50	<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Woodhull ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Chicago 3d ch 220 19; Chicago North ch Sab-seh 24; Joliet 1st ch 6 10	250 29	<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Rochester, St Peters Sab-seh 50; Rochester Central ch 150	201 00
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Cedar Rapids ch	29 63	<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Brownsville ch	21 00
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Phoenixville ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Richland</i> —Olivesburg ch 11 70; Mt Pleasant ch 4	15 70
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Cleveland 1st ch	271 05	<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Saginaw City ch	69 62
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Hudson ch	25 00	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Long Lake ch 3; Rockford ch 3; Delano ch 1	7 01
<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Linn Grove ch 19 37; Fairfax ch 2 60	12 97	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Salem Ger ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Cuyaga</i> —Anrora ch	21 00	<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Springfield 1st ch	53 52
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati 2d ch 116 40; Pleasant Ridge ch 10 37; Bantam ch 2 87	129 64	<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Hewletton ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Harmony ch, Memorial 7 50; College Corner ch 7 50; Hamilton ch, balance 4; Dayton 3d ch Sab-seh, Memorial 25	44 00	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Augusta ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Roselle ch, Memorial	500 00	<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Unity ch	38 50
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Columbus 2d ch	100 00	<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Washington ch	33 00
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Foreston Ger ch 9 20; Galena Ger ch 2 30	11 50	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Belle Centre ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Corfu ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Island Creek ch	18 00
<i>Pby of Harrisburg</i> —Harrisburg 1st ch Sab-seh, Memorial, special	500 00	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Cohoes 1st ch 50; Troy Second Street ch 52 25; Schaghticoke 20	122 25
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Milan ch 12; Bloomville ch 12	24 00	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington North ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —East Kishacoquillas ch	55 00	<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Portage City ch	4 40
<i>Pby of Illinois</i> —Maroa ch	6 11	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Cedarville ch 15; May's Landing ch 3	18 00
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Eddyville ch	2 50	<i>Pby of Wabash</i> —Prairie Bird ch	8 40
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Walcott ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Coleraine ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Washington ch 5 15; Apollo ch 22 31; Pine Run ch 9 40; Bethesda ch, Memorial 10	46 86	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Stamford ch	116 91
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Turtle Creek ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Wheeling 1st ch, special	97 01
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Wyoming ch 5; Mauch Chunk 1st ch 21 87	26 87	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Zanesville 2d ch 12 58; Buffalo ch 31	43 58
<i>Pby of Leavenworth</i> —Leavenworth, Westminster ch	38 55		\$5,136 31
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —La Fayette ch 12 95; La Fayette Sab-seh 2 10	15 08		
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Holland ch	6 00		
<i>Pby of Moline</i> —Poland ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of New York 4th</i> —Madison Square ch, add'l 440; New York West ch, add'l 2	465 00		
<i>Pby of New York</i> —New York, Allen St ch 250; New York, Thirteenth St ch 147 50	397 50		
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Canterbury ch 9; Wassatah ch 2; Matteawan ch 12 84; Calvary ch 21 05; Freedom Plains ch 20	64 89		
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Lewiston ch	5 00		

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Interest on Bonds and Mortgages 495 25; Mrs Mary C Newton, Pensacola, Fla, Memorial 5; Rev John Newton 1; Memorial, special 33 00; Friends in Illinois 49 90; J M Stiger, Plainfield N J 5; H A Thompson, Indiana, Pa, Memorial, special 50; Mrs E M Thompson, Indiana, Pa, Memorial, special 20; Miss Mattie E Thompson, Indiana, Pa, Memorial, special 5; Rev L D Potter and family, Glendale, Ohio 4 35; Miss M B Patterson, Greentree, Pa 1; Legacy of John Wilson, West Kishacoquillas, Pa 100; Memorial offering of the late Wm Park, Canonsburg, Pa 500

Total for January. \$9,672 81

NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.



# RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS IN JANUARY 1871.

<b>DELAWARE.</b>			
Drawyers Pres ch,	\$15 50	Bridge Hampton Pres ch,	15 00
<b>ILLINOIS.</b>		Trumansburg, from Hermon Camp (Memorial Fund)	100 00
Fosterbury. German Zion Pres ch,	\$5 00	West Milton Pres ch,	6 48
"Friends in Illinois,"	100 00	Lewistown Pres ch,	5 00
Jacksonville, Central Pres ch,	23 10	Penn Yan Pres ch,	84 00
Peoria, Fulton Street Pres ch,	11 00	Westfield Pres ch 41 62, from the pastor,	
North Sangamon Pres ch,	10 00	Rev S H Smith, 5,	46 62
Union Grove Pres ch,	6 85	Troy, Second Street Pres ch,	118 17
Chicago, Jef Park Pres ch, add'l,	5 00	Hudson 1st Pres ch,	25 00
Waynesville Pres ch,	8 00	East Aurora Pres ch,	10 00
Angusta Pres ch,	2 50	Heuvelton Pres ch,	2 00
Paxton Pres ch,	5 00	Mattituck Pres ch,	10 00
Peoria, "Mrs M R M,"	5 00	North Bergen Pres ch,	6 00
Shiloh Pres ch, 2 25, through Rev Wm C Rankin, 2 75,	5 00	Buffalo. North Pres ch,	50 00
Enfield ch 4 85. Sharon ch 1 25, Carmi ch 4 35, less cost of order 10	10 35	Clinton Pres ch,	65 85
Butler Pres ch,	12 65	Mt Vernon Pres ch,	16 00
<b>INDIANA.</b>		Sing Sing Pres ch,	100 00
Madison 1st Pres ch,	\$45 65	Altoany 3d Pres ch,	30 00
La Fayette 1st Pres ch,	13 46	Ballston Spa Pres ch,	29 51
La Fayette Sab-sch,	2 32	Ballston Centre Pres ch,	17 49
Indiana Pres ch,	7 50	<b>OHIO.</b>	
<b>IOWA.</b>		St Clairsville Pres ch,	\$50 00
Crawfordsville Pres ch,	\$3 00	Frederickstown, Andrew Brown,	2 00
Cedar Rapids 2d Pres ch,	10 60	Turtle Creek Pres ch,	2 00
Morning Sun Pres ch,	7 45	Piqua. Miss Soc'y 2d Pres ch,	15 00
Muscatine, German 1st Pres ch,	2 45	Columbus Grove, "Outsiders and Insiders,"	5 00
Eddyville Pres ch,	1 75	Toledo, Westminster Pres ch,	20 00
Linn Grove Pres ch,	11 06	Iberia Pres ch,	3 50
<b>KENTUCKY.</b>		Washington Pres ch,	40 00
Louisville, Rev J M Sadd,	\$2 00	Dayton 1st Pres ch,	25 00
<b>MARYLAND.</b>		Zanesville. Eliza Wills,	5 00
Baltimore, Green Street Pres ch,	\$19 15	Coshocton Pres ch,	24 00
Ellicott City Pres ch,	19 00	Harmony Pres ch,	7 50
<b>MICHIGAN.</b>		Buffalo Pres ch,	23 85
Saginaw 1st Pres ch,	\$25 00	Island Creek, Knoxville Pres ch,	9 00
<b>MISSOURI.</b>		<b>OREGON.</b>	
St Louis, High Street Pres ch,	\$25 00	Eugene City Pres ch,	\$11 00
<b>MINNESOTA.</b>		<b>PENNSYLVANIA.</b>	
Jackson Pres ch,	\$5 00	Mercersburg Pres ch,	\$30 00
Rockford 1. Delano 1, Long Lake 1,	3 00	Mt Tabor Pres ch,	6 00
South Bend Pres ch,	1 50	Mill Creek Pres ch,	3 00
Hastings Pres ch,	9 00	Mt Pleasant Pres ch,	2 00
<b>NEW JERSEY.</b>		Mrs Howard P Dechert, for "Aged Minister,"	10 00
Pennington, add'l, special 10,	\$12 88	Pittsburgh 2d Pres ch,	90 70
Tenafly Pres ch,	33 91	Interest on Permanent Fund,	686 48
Cedarville 1st Pres ch,	19 75	Philadelphia, "Mrs L B," Central ch,	10 00
May's Landing Pres ch,	2 00	Union Pres ch,	17 00
Westfield Pres ch,	36 89	Bridesburg Pres ch,	25 00
Morristown 1st Pres ch,	115 89	Manayunk 1st Pres ch,	55 00
Elizabeth. Westminster (Memorial Fund)	80 00	York Pres ch,	411 00
Mendham 1st Pres ch,	17 09	Providence Pres ch, S P S, M H S, and A T S	7 50
Belvidere 1st Pres ch,	31 00	West Newton Pres ch,	18 00
Gloucester City 1st Pres ch,	4 25	Lower Path Valley Pres ch,	23 00
Paterson, 2d German Pres ch,	10 00	Burnt Cabins Pres ch,	10 00
Springfield Pres ch,	37 76	Mifflintown Pres ch,	70 70
Rahway, 2d Pres ch,	40 00	Legacy of John Wilson, Sen, of West Kishacoquillas,	200 00
<b>NEW YORK.</b>		Holmesburg Pres ch,	7 90
Palisades Pres ch,	\$12 23	Philadelphia, "from a little Brother and Sister, L and W,"	1 00
Sag Harbor, Mrs Teachont,	3 31	East Kishacoquillas Pres ch,	40 00
Greensburg Pres ch,	42 96	Scotch Ridge Sub sch,	5 00
Wassaic, Rev W J McCord,	2 00	Brownsville Pres ch,	20 00
		Centre Pres ch,	7 00
		Cross Creek Pres ch,	9 00
		Unity Pres ch,	5 00
		Allegheny 1st Pres ch,	102 02

Poland Pres ch,	6 00	Portage City, Rev J B Plumstead,	10 00
Salem Pres ch,	10 00		
Oak Grove Pres ch,	2 00		
Mauch Chunk 1st Pres ch,	77 80	Total,	\$3904 83
WISCONSIN.		CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer,	
West Granville German Pres ch,	\$3 00	Office, No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.	

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PERMANENT FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS.

Received by G. H. VAN GELDER, Treasurer of Trustees of the General Assembly, and credited to the MEMORIAL FUND.

Mrs Sarah Plumer, of Rockville, Ind.	\$5 00
Mrs M Frothingham, of Burlington, N J,	5 00
"W M,"	5 00
Mrs Mary A Rice, of Salem, Mo.	5 00
Brick ch, New York City, three bonds \$1000 each,	3000 00
J W Raymond, of Clinton, N Y.	5 00
Miss Annie Craig's Class in Sabbath-school of Cohocksink ch, Philadelphia,	25 00
Rev Geo S Boardman, D.D., of Little Falls, N Y,	10 00
John H Sherrard, of Bucyrus, Ohio,	5 00
Mary D Whittier, of Burton, Ohio,	5 00

A member of the ch of the Covenant, N Y,	50 00
Muir 1st ch, Mich,	8 00
Martin H Cheadle, of Rockville, Ind,	5 00
Eliza Cheadle, of Rockville, Ind,	5 00
Rev Robert Irwin,	5 00
Mrs Robert Irwin,	5 00
A Disabled Minister and Wife, of Montrose, Pa.	10 00
Mrs S S Neill, of Philadelphia,	10 00
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Wm S Chapman, of Wilmington, Del.	15 00
Bridgeton, N J, 1st Presby ch, Rev C R Gregory,	
pastor,	500 00
A P Cummings, Esq. New York City,	100 00
R J Park, Esq, Raymond Station, Iowa,	5 00
	\$3988 00

The following letter has been received by the treasurer:

"PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1871.

"*Dear Friend*,—Please accept the small amount (\$1.00) from the fund of a little brother and sister.

"May our dear Lord bless you all, and the good cause.

"Yours in love, S. and W."

May these dear children be amply rewarded with spiritual blessings.

It is gratifying to record the liberal offering of the little girls of Miss Craig's class in the Sabbath-school of the Cohocksink church. They have contributed, and paid in through the Rev. John Peacock, twenty-five dollars, to be credited to the Five Million Memorial.

This token of respect paid by our young friends to the servants of Jesus, recalls that memorable scene of the children crying in the Temple: "Hosanna to the Son of David."

The Relief Fund is not only the best scheme yet devised to lay upon the conscience of the Church the responsibility of providing for those who have faithfully served her, but it is *entirely adequate* to help all who need support in whole or in part. It is adapted to meet every case of the widows and orphans of deceased ministers, and every case of temporary sickness and permanent disability from hard service, age, or disease of ministers. NOT ONE APPLICANT HAS EVER BEEN REFUSED WHERE THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF A TITLE TO AID. In nineteen cases out of twenty *all* that Presbyteries have asked has been granted. At the time of the first meeting of the new committee last July there was some *delay*, but within a few weeks all the appropriations were paid. What has been done in the past our reunited Church has full ability to do in the future.

Let all the Presbyteries stir up their churches and *raise the needed funds*, and then let them carefully search and find every case that requires attention, and lay their applications before the Assembly's Committee. Let Presbyteries do *both parts* of this work systematically, efficiently, thoroughly, and all that the most anxious desire, and the most sanguine hope for, will be accomplished.

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## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN JANUARY, 1871.

Worthington ch, Presby of Kittanning	\$22 00	East Buffalo ch, Presby of Washington	4 53
Mt Pleasant ch, Presby of Redstone	35 35	Cool Spring ch, Presby of Erie	6 00
Pleasant Unity ch, Presby of Redstone	8 25	First Genoa ch, Presby of Cayuga	22 00
Cross Roads ch, Presby of Blairsville	19 55	Amsterdam ch, Presby of Albany	23 88
Pluckamin ch, N J	20 00	Hawley ch, Presby of Montrose	9 50
Bridgeport, Conn. Presby of Westchester	60 00	Rev J H Trowbridge, Chicago	10 00
Yorktown ch, Presby of Westchester	26 00	Strasburg ch, Presby of Donegal	8 05
Hebron ch, Presby of Logansport	9 00	Rutherford Park ch, Presby of Jersey City	19 17
Rock Hill ch, Presby of St Clairsville	10 35	Oaks Corners ch, Presby of Geneva	5 00
Ninth ch, Troy, N Y	10 00	Union ch, Presby of Indianapolis	7 31
Wyandotte ch, Presby of Bellefontaine	3 00	Southport ch, Presby of Indianapolis	6 50
Marysville ch, Presby of Marion	7 00	Ithaca ch, Presby of Ithaca	42 37
First ch, Augusta, N Y	22 31	Madison ch, Presby of Newark	55 38
Setauket ch, L I	5 50	Madison Sab-sch Mission Soc'y, Presby of New-	25 00
Grove ch, Presby of Northumberland	36 00	ark	4 50
Salem ch (colored) Presby of Atlantic	5 50	St Paul ch, (colored) Presby of Atlantic	2 00
Second ch, Cleveland, Ohio, Presby of Cleveland	92 41	Hervey Leete, Money Creek, Minn, (Memorial)	14 00
Mary H Severance, Cleveland, Ohio	25 00	Ebenezer ch, Presby of Schuyler	21 67
Highlands ch, Presby of Allegheny	7 79	Sab-sch of Westminster ch, Presby of St Paul	12 00
Plains ch, Presby of Allegheny	5 00	Buffalo ch, Presby of Northumberland	8 75
Union ch, Presby of Cairo	4 00	Chatsworth ch, Ill	5 00
First ch, Crawfordsville, Presby of Crawfords-	5 50	J L Glenn, Plainfield, Ohio	4 00
ville	2 00	Meshoppen ch, Presby of Lackawanna	14 00
Eddyville ch, Iowa	20 65	Woodside ch, Presby of Troy	35 03
Ch of the Head of Delaware, Presby of Otsego	5 00	First ch, Troy, Pa	28 00
Liberty ch, Presby of Marion	6 00	Market Square ch, Phila, Pa	3 00
Mariaville ch, Presby of Albany	25 05	Minerva ch, Presby of Steubenville	33 21
Central ch, Des Moines, Presby of Iowa	17 75	North Fork ch, Presby of Ohio	18 09
Middle Spring ch, Presby of Carlisle	5 25	Mt Holly ch, Presby of Monmouth	7 00
Chs of Norwich and Pleasant Hill, Presby of	4 75	Scotch Grove ch, Presby of Cedar Rapids	4 00
Zanesville	10 00	Bethel ch, Presby of Cedar Rapids	8 65
Rev N C Helfrich, New Concord, Ohio	5 15	Truro ch, Presby of Lima	7 00
F Gould, Bonegap, Ill, (Biddle Institute)	30 33	New Philadelphia ch, Presby of Steubenville	14 00
Washington ch, Presby of Kittanning	30 00	Perrysville ch, Ohio	3 00
First ch, Mahoning City, Pa	13 95	Clearfork ch, Ohio	10 00
First ch, Greenfield, Presby of Chillicothe	2 00	Legacy of late Jas Byers, Perrysville, Ohio	23 60
Mt Prospect ch, Presby of Washington	5 40	Wilksburg ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	50 90
Bellfield ch, add'l, Presby of Pittsburgh	7 00	Second ch, Indianapolis, Ind	10 00
Sugar Creek ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	6 65	Mt Nebo ch, Pa	24 60
Moscow ch, Presby of Rochester	3 30	Beech Spring ch, Presby of Steubenville	21 70
Crab Apple ch, Presby of St Clairsville	8 05	Clinton ch, Presby of Bloomington	14 00
Bellevue ch, Iowa	22 00	Butler ch, Presby of Butler	3 00
Ch in Cheoua, Ill	77 00	Jefferson ch, Presby of New Albany	3 50
First ch, Monmouth, Ill	110 26	Amsterdam ch, Presby of Steubenville	25 00
South Park ch, Presby of Newark	20 55	Brownsville ch, Presby of Redstone	7 00
First ch, Stamford, Presby of Westchester	13 69	Hayesville ch, Presby of Richland	7 50
Greenville ch, Presby of Erie	20 00	McKay ch, Presby of Richland	5 00
North Bergen ch, N Y	18 30	Mrs Eliza Porter, Homeworth, Ohio	30 28
First ch, Mendon, N Y	4 37	Clarksessville ch, Pa	46 96
First ch, Freeport, Ill	7 00	Euclid St ch, Cleveland, Ohio	4 00
Union ch, Chillicothe, Ohio	101 31	Summit ch, Presby of Iowa City	53 09
Chs of St Thomas and Rock Spring, Presby of	30 12	First ch, Ipsilanti, Presby of Detroit	52 56
Carlisle	8 00	Seventh ch, Cincinnati, Ohio	10 35
Ch of Lower Path Valley, (Memorial)	10 00	New Jersey ch, Presby of Dayton	30 67
Sewickly ch, Presby of Allegheny	30 12	First ch, Jersey City, Presby of Jersey City	12 00
Ashland ch, Ohio	8 00	First ch, Plainfield, Presby of Elizabeth	3 75
Perry ch, Presby of Clarion	10 00	Smithtown ch	16 00
First ch, Roselle, N J	7 50	South America ch	5 00
Kirkpatrick Memorial ch, Presby of New Bruns-	12 00	Oswego ch, Ill	8 04
wick	3 00	Tarentum ch, Presby of Allegheny	5 00
Middletown ch, Presby of Iowa	3 00	Centre ch, Presby of Kittanning	6 00
Lime Springs ch, Presby of Dubuque	6 00	Mrs N Shofaugh, Samuel's Depot, Ky	62 00
Portageville ch, Presby of Genesee	5 30	North ch, Phila, Pa	50 00
Hervey Leete, Money Creek, Minn, (Memorial)	15 00	A Friend, Lewistown, Ill	10 00
Ch of Delafield, Wis	11 00	Bridgewater ch, Presby of Allegheny	21 23
Second ch, Oswegatchie, Presby of St Lawrence	10 00	First ch, New Brighton, Presby of Shenango	26 00
Brighton ch, N Y	5 00	New Hagerstown ch, Presby of Steubenville	7 00
Pleasant Ridge ch, Presby of Fort Wayne	4 00	Harbor Creek ch, Presby of Erie	15 00
Bluffton ch, Presby of Fort Wayne		First ch, Bellefontaine, Presby of Bellefontaine	
New Lancaster ch, Presby of Fort Wayne			



Mrs S E Gordon, Eureka Kan, (Memorial)	10 00	Second Ger ch, New Orleans, La	4 00
Dundas ch, Presby of St Paul	10 00	Ch of Louisville, Ky	1 00
Forest ch, Presby of St Paul	2 00	Nunda ch, N Y	41 00
Holiday's Cove ch, Presby of Washington	14 00	First ch, Lafayette, Presby of Cleveland	5 00
Irish Grove ch, Presby of Sangamon	5 00	Immlap's Creek ch, Presby of Redstone	12 00
Hamilton Union ch, Presby of Albany	7 15	Hixton ch, Presby of Chippewa	3 00
Mt Washington ch, Presby of New York	12 00	Cong ch of Elbridge, N Y	13 30
Hillsboro' ch, Ohio	38 37	Second ch, Cedar Rapids, Presby of Iowa	6 40
Salem ch, Presby of Cairo	5 50	Hebron ch, Presby of Mattoon	5 25
Fayetteville ch, Presby of Carlisle	7 00	First ch, Beloit, Presby of Milwaukee	40 30
Upper Octoraro ch, Presby of Chester	13 00	Pine Creek ch, Presby of Allegheny	14 00
Cochecton ch, Presby of Hudson	3 00	First ch Piqua, Presby of Sidney	13 43
Princeton ch, Presby of Iowa City	5 00	Calvary ch, Buffalo, N Y	61 67
Mt Union ch, Presby of Iowa City	3 00	A Lady in Le Roy, N Y, for Scotia Seminary	100 00
Summit Hill, from P, Presby of Lehigh	30 00	Concord ch, Presby of Butler	17 50
Kingston ch, Presby of Lackawanna	34 47	North Butler ch, Presby of Butler	4 50
Canton ch, Presby of Lackawanna	9 50	First ch, New Albany, Ind	40 10
Hightstown ch, Presby of Monmouth	22 00	Second ch, Williamsport, Pa	50 00
Maioning ch, Presby of Northumberland	35 49	Second ch, Vinton, Cedar Rapids, Ind	8 00
Green Hill ch, Presby of New Castle	15 25	Frankfort ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	10 00
Infant School of North ch, Phila	7 00	First ch, Ottawa, Wis	5 00
St Peter's ch Sab-sch, Presby of Rochester	33 50	First ch, Clinton, Mo	7 25
Member of New York Avenue ch, Washington City	3 35	Noblesville ch, Ind	4 25
Slateridge ch, Presby of Westminster	16 00	Wilson Creek ch, Freeport	23 85
Rouseville ch, Pa	13 15	John Knox ch, Ill	6 70
"T"	5 00	Union Grove ch, Presby of Ottawa	8 51
L R G Peck, Phila, Pa	150 00	Congress ch, Presby of Wooster	9 22
"J M," Phila, Pa	10 00	Deerfield ch, Presby of Maioning	28 75
Family in ch of Camden, N J	20 00	West Aurora Cong ch, Presby of Buffalo	10 00
"H J A," Jefferson City	2 00	Three Springs ch, Presby of Washington	6 00
Washington ch of Iowa	12 70	Jefferson Park ch, Presby of Chicago	23 05
First ch, Kittanning, Presby of Kittanning	78 00	Hermon ch, Phila, Pa	39 00
Ch and Sab-sch of Ellsworth, Ohio	26 00	Sugar Creek and Witon Junction chs, Presby of Iowa	5 00
Martin Allen, Ellsworth, Ohio, (Memorial)	25 00	First ch, Pittsburgh, Presby of Pittsburgh	199 71
Jesse F Allen, Ellsworth, Ohio, (Memorial),	20 00	First Rochester ch, Minn	8 65
R A Kirk, Ellsworth, Ohio, (Memorial),	10 00	Scrubgrass ch, Presby of Butler	28 00
Calvary ch, Presby of Rock River	4 00	Louisburg ch, Presby of Yadkin	2 00
Ewing ch, Presby of New Brunswick	10 00	Rev D L Dickey, Allegheny, Pa	5 00
Beallsville ch, Ohio	3 56	Red Oak ch, Presby of Portsmouth	11 20
Powhatan ch, Ohio	2 50	Belleville ch, Ill	6 70
Newton ch, Presby of Hamilton	5 35	Kenton ch, Ohio	5 00
Second ch, Mendham, N J	10 00	Cayuga ch, N Y	14 15
First ch, Toledo, Ohio	7 50	First ch, Cedarville, Presby of West Jersey	37 00
Centre ch, Presby of Allegheny	12 38	First ch, Decatur, Ill	17 45
Pisgah ch, Presby of Cairo	13 00	Princeton ch, West Phila	85 50
Fairfield ch, Presby of Erie	6 00	Waynesburg Cong of McVeytown, Pa	23 95
First ch, Princeton, Ill, Presby of Rock River	36 00	First ch, La Porte, Presby of Logansport	6 00
Sab-sch 1st ch, Princeton, Ill	5 00	Upper Path Valley ch, Presby of Carlisle	18 10
Centre ch, Crawfordville, Ind	45 25	The Outsiders and Insiders of Columbus Grove, Ohio	15 00
Holmesville ch, Presby of Wooster	10 00	East Liberty ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	123 11
Mt Pisgah ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	6 00	Emsworth ch, Presby of Allegheny	5 75
Unity ch, Presby of Shenango	36 00	Angusta ch, Ill	3 00
Morristown ch, N Y	5 00	Second ch, Sparta, Presby of Rochester	4 75
Dansville ch, N Y	20 00	East Aurora ch, Presby of Buffalo	10 00
"S T N," Wellsville, Ohio	10 00	Coatesville ch, Presby of Chester	13 00
Middletown ch, Long Island, N Y	3 24	Seranton ch, Pa	222 00
Clintonville ch, Presby of Butler	4 00	Upper Buffalo ch, Presby of Washington	34 00
Lausing ch, Presby of Dubuque	5 00	Short Creek ch, Presby of St Clairsville	7 00
Bellefonte ch	153 09	Little York ch, Presby of St Clairsville	3 50
Second ch, Pittsburgh, Presby of Pittsburgh	127 20	Cortland ch, N Y	26 30
First ch, Gouverneur, N Y	24 05	East Hamburg ch, N Y	4 00
S N Robinson, North Walton, N Y	5 00	Ridge ch, Presby of Steubenville	10 00
Unity ch, Presby of Blairsville	26 00	Buffalo ch, Presby of Zanesville	20 02
Forest Grove ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	20 00	First Princeton ch, Presby of New Brunswick	25 32
Fourth ch, Trenton, N J	113 64	Lawrenceville ch, Presby of New Brunswick	51 00
Chs of Andrew and Farmers Creek, Presby of Cedar Rapids	6 00	Spring Garden Sab-sch, Presby of Philadelphia Central	25 54
Laurel Hill ch, Presby of Redstone	22 80	Kensington ch, Presby of Philadelphia Central	30 00
Second ch, Trenton, N J	15 00	Cohoeksink Sab-sch, Presby of Philadelphia Central	100 00
Hamilton Square ch, N J	6 66	Phoenixville, Presby of Chester	15 00
Long Island ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	4 00	Cambridge ch, Presby of Troy, for Biddle Institute	23 55
Upper Mt Bethel ch, Presby of Lehigh	5 00	Colerain ch, Pa	6 00
A B Noble, Boardman, Ohio	2 00	Bethel ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	6 20
West Salem ch, West Salem, Ohio	6 05	Salem ch, N J, (Biddle Institute)	50 00
Centerville ch, Presby of Allegheny	15 00	Friends in Illinois	100 00
Albion ch, Presby of Fort Wayne	9 00	Rev W J McCorl, Wassaie, N Y	1 00
Mt Pleasant ch, Presby of Ohio	20 41	Estate of Miss Margaret Latimer, Phila, Pa, per Jas Bayard, Esq. Ex and Trustee, 500 of which is for Biddle Institute	1,500 00
Pleasant Ridge ch, Presby of Alton	5 00		
Central ch, Geneseo, N Y	17 47		
Chs of Rockford, Delano, and Long Lake, St Anthony, Minn	3 00		
Rural Valley ch, Presby of Kittanning	5 75		
Elderton ch, Presby of Kittanning	7 57		
Sharon ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	9 25		
Greensboro' ch, Presby of Redstone	3 00		
East Guilford ch, Presby of New York	12 00		

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

UNION FOR SELF-SUPPORT.

IN UNION IS STRENGTH.

We have now closed our fiscal year. The readers of the RECORD have been apprised from month to month of the progress of our work, and the amount of our resources. *The work* has greatly increased; not so our resources.

The question that is forced on us, therefore, now is: How can we make our available means accomplish the most for Christ? How can we economize in men and means? There is one answer that is practicable and easy, *Two or more feeble churches must unite under one pastor.*

One of the main thoughts that led to Re-union, was the economy of men and means in the re-united Church. There were feeble "New School" and "Old School" churches near to each other that would not unite while the two Assemblies were in existence. But, it was claimed on all hands, that when the Assemblies were united, these feeble churches could be united. We are sorry to say that the process seems very slow. And there needs to be set before them the absolute necessity of withdrawing from the Board of Home Missions for support, and relying on themselves. Let a proper public sentiment be created, let a healthy self-reliance be cherished, and these churches, discouraged from asking foreign aid, and encouraged to combine and support themselves. Let this point be pressed on them early and late.

We are aware of the difficulties in the case; we know that there are prejudices to be overcome, former differences to be forgotten, rival claims of neighboring places to be adjusted, and new friendships to be promoted. All these require time. We must make haste slowly. But if we fail to accomplish such results, the whole Church will be disappointed.

We beg of the Presbyteries about to meet to give this subject their most careful attention; to make such adjustments and reconstruction of the missionary churches in their bounds as will relieve the Board, and give promise of growth, peace, and self-support.

One Presbytery, at least, has given the subject attention, and the result is that they promise to reduce the amount applied for the coming year, by the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars.

A similar good work can be done in many other Presbyteries. By all means let it be done. Let it be brought about by the churches and the Presbyteries, lest the Board be compelled to cut down the salaries of their pastors, and perhaps thereby drive them from the field. For the Board will be compelled to make a large reduction in the number of their missionaries, at an early day, unless the contributions from the churches are largely increased.

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#### RULES FOR CONGREGATIONS APPLYING FOR AID TO THE PRESBYTERIAN HOME MISSION COMMITTEE.

I. Every exertion should be made by each congregation, by effort within itself, or by union with one or more neighboring congregations, to support itself before asking for aid; and the smallest sum, when aid is necessary, should be asked for, that will support the congregation.

II. The following particulars should be included in the application :

1. The name and post-office address of the congregation, and the minister to be commissioned, with a statement as to whether he is engaged in any other calling than that of the ministry.

2. The number of communicants, and the average attendance on public worship.

3. The denomination and size of the congregations immediately contiguous, with the distance to their places of worship.

4. The present population of the town—whether advancing, stationary, or retrograding—the state of business, and the character of the people.

5. Have you a parsonage or manse. If not please state the probable charge for house-rent; the number of persons in the family of the missionary; the total amount of salary which the applicants propose to make up; the portion of salary which they pledge; the arrangements made for securing it; whether aid is expected from any other source, and the least amount that will suffice from the Committee.

6. The ecclesiastical relations of the congregation and their proposed minister, as none can be aided by the Committee who are not in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

7. The application should be signed by the elders, deacons, and trustees of the congregation, so far as there are such officers.

8. The application, by special direction of the Assembly, is in all cases to be approved by the Presbytery to which the church belongs, or by the Committee on Home Missions of the Presbytery.

9. Applications must be renewed before a new appointment can be made: and with the new application is to be furnished a certificate of the minister, that the congregation has fulfilled its former pledge for his support.

III. Congregations should steadily aim at self-support as soon as possible.

IV. Each congregation is aided, on condition of its taking up a collection for the Committee during the year for which aid is granted.



V. Commissions will not, except in extraordinary cases, be dated back beyond either the time of making the appointment, or the time of application, according to the state of the funds of the Committee.

### MISSIONARY WORK IN IOWA.

As to work done in the thirteen weeks of this quarter up to last night, I have the following record: Travelled on railroad, wagon, horse, and foot thirteen hundred miles; two hundred miles of all kinds being the most in any week; forty-five miles on foot, the most in any week of pastoral visitation; feet wet seven times that week, and myself lame at the end. The most of it done in Cherokee County. In fact I've done more all ways in that county than elsewhere. Preached thirty times, including one sermon from Bro. C——, and an exchange with Bro. A—— of Sioux City, when he preached three times for me at G——, I twice for him at S——. My largest Sabbath-day's work was to ride sixteen miles, walk over one, organize a Sabbath-school, and preach three times. By Bro. C——'s assistance, I have organized a church of ten members at C——, June 5th, 1870. (Is it not the first church organized since the reunion was completed?) Most of the members are heads of families. I organized the "Prairie Vale Sabbath-school" on the Big Whisky; the "King Sabbath-school" on the Little Sioux; and the "Plymouth Sabbath-school" on Plymouth Creek. In these schools I took up collections for their own use, amounting to eighteen dollars. I also arranged one Sabbath-school here, took up a collection and started a subscription, bringing in about thirty-five dollars. In these I have tried, and in some cases succeeded, in introducing the *Visitor*. Have, through friends, presented two hundred volumes, mostly of Presbyterian books, to these four schools. I have distributed about eight hundred tracts. I believe in Presbyterian literature. As far as possible I have tried to put Presbyterians in place. I have or-

ganized one prayer-meeting. I have addressed six Sabbath-schools; have gathered as many children as possible into the Sabbath-school, have interested myself in their spiritual welfare, preaching on their behalf and to them.

The aggregate of my audiences at church is twelve hundred. I have never preached to more intelligent or better audiences.

At Lemars we have the promise of one hundred dollars and two lots for a church. This indicates what we can do at any prominent point on this railroad. The officers include some live Presbyterians. The unsettled state of the towns from non-sale of lots, &c., has kept me back from taking steps towards church erection at Lemars and Cherokee. I wanted to organize in Plymouth County, but things are not quite ripe yet. I am the only Presbyterian preacher on one hundred and thirty-four miles of this railroad. Bro. A——, at Sioux City, being sixty miles from me, and Bro. P——, at Fort Dodge, being seventy-four miles from me; my headquarters being at Cherokee. They are both much interested in this field, and have greatly encouraged me in my work. I leave, God willing, this field for home and the Seminary at Chicago on the 22d. Next Sabbath Bro. C——, Superintendent of Missions, will be with me to have communion here, when we hope to receive about ten new members, unless God's providence keeps them at home. I thus hold but three more Sabbaths of service, twice here and once on the Floyd and Whiskey. I closed at L—— and its out-posts yesterday.

The need of this field for a worker immediately is *most imperative*. In fact, between Fort Dodge and Sioux City, we need two men right off. One for Pocahontas and Buena Vista, and

one for my two Western counties, with his headquarters here. The brethren and people generally ask who is to succeed me and *when*?

I looked for conversions under my ministrations, but I cannot point them out. I leave the issue with God, only regretting that I could not have been more faithful. Of my visiting I've so far said nothing. I keep no account of my visits, because I make so many. I believe in it. It's the most successful means of usefulness in this field. Having no horse has kept me out of the surrounding country; yet there is but three Presbyterian families of which I know, that I have not visited, and most of them live in the country from two and a half to eleven miles from the towns. All the points I have occupied, should be by my successor. Presbyterians at all of them.

The principles on which I have worked are the following:

1. The Presbyterian Church is the best of all the churches. Should be erected everywhere.

2. Advertise our church and *meeting*, especially by *visitation and personal invitation*.

3. Children should be carefully watched and gathered. Catechisms spread.

4. Presbyterian literature should be spread.

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#### CUTTING DOWN.

Our *finances* are healthy as far as the church expenses go, for I can scarcely say as much for the minister's salary. The cutting down was a painful stroke. I hope to survive it; but it was like the loss of a limb, which will not be supplied. To me it is a dead loss; but as others are groaning under a like calamity, I shall refrain from whimpering. We have, as a people, made noble efforts to have our church edifice completed. Perhaps in the H—— and the I—— you may have seen my begging appeals. Not a cent came from or through the I——, but through the H—— I received five letters, one asking if a farm

could be had in this neighborhood, and *nothing else*; a second enclosing circulars of a furniture making firm, and *nothing else*; a third, also from furniture makers, enclosing proposals to make our seats, and *nothing else*; a fourth enclosing two fifty bills, fifty cents I mean, and inviting us to use this one dollar, in the facetious words: "Please be seated;" a fifth was received from a noble Christian heart in Indiana, asking how much we needed, and hinting that he might give it all. A correspondence ensued between that gentlemen and myself, and resulted in our receiving a check for four hundred dollars, to be used on the sole conditions that we give the donor our prayer and conceal his name. God bless him! Our beautiful little church, unequalled in the country, is approaching completion. Seats have been obtained, a pulpit erected, the painting nearly finished, and all without debt. Our contribution, in the form of money raised and work done, will form a respectable item in the lists of the Memorial Fund. A church worth nearly four thousand dollars, has been added to the property of the Presbyterian Church of America. We have just elected two additional elders. Do I deserve any recognition for the work done? Before God, I ask none; but would it be too much for *man* to say, in view of all that has hindered and all that has been done—Euge!

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#### MARYLAND.

A missionary in Maryland writing of his field says:

Yesterday (Sabbath) completed the first quarter of my labors as missionary in my new field, the churches of Welsh Run, Pa., and Clear Spring, Md. This is in many respects an *old* and yet a *new* field; *old* in that it is in the midst of the oldest settled and most wealthy parts of the country, the Cumberland Valley; and that one of the churches, Welsh Run, is a very old church, being one hundred and thirty years of age. *New* in that the Welsh Run has been for some ten years without either pastor or



regular supply, and by death and removal of its members (mainly) West, it has been reduced to some three or four families, and to ten or twelve members; and the building by age (one hundred and thirty years old,) has become utterly unfit for religious services, especially in winter time, and we worship in a school-house near by.

But thanks to a kind Providence, both church and house are to become *new*. A gentleman in Philadelphia, Pa., is to make a donation such that, with the aid we can collect on the field, we shall be able to erect a very comfortable house early in the summer. The contract closed last week with the carpenter to complete the house upon the foundation, thirty-two by fifty-two feet, by July 1st, 1871.

#### AN INTERESTING REPORT.

Afterwards I held a series of meetings, lasting twelve days, near P., where we have a few members, and from the first there were evident manifestations of the presence of the Spirit. There were thirteen inquirers, who, with about as many more, chiefly of the young, attended a daily meeting for prayer and inquiry. Some said they had been thinking of their duty for weeks, others for months previous; and while those interested were mostly of the young and middle aged, a few of the older people were found giving heed even with tears, and some tried to keep their emotions hidden.

The case of an old man, raised a Roman Catholic, was the most remarkable. Twice during the meeting, as opportunity was given, he rose and spoke of his own experiences, his conviction by the word and Spirit, the wondrous work of grace God was doing, and the great peace he had in believing in Jesus. His neighbors said he seemed to have gotten a new tongue. He had sought God by reading the blessed word, (though in this he was bitterly opposed by his wife) and found him full of compassion, "forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin."

#### A QUESTION OF A MISSIONARY.

This subject has presented one query to my mind. If some liberal brother in the Church has diminished his gifts to the treasury of Home Missions by one hundred dollars, in order that he may give one hundred dollars more to the Memorial Fund, and some Home Missionary has been obliged to be cut short that amount, adding greatly to his burdens already too weighty, who really gives the one hundred dollars to the Memorial Fund, the liberal brother, or the Home Missionary?

#### JEFFERSON PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHICAGO, ILL.

##### SELF-SUPPORT.

The experiment of taking new ground in an improving part of one of our great cities, and by a general canvass of the population endeavoring to raise a Presbyterian church, contributing from the first to all the Boards of the Church, buying and paying for its lot, building and paying for its house of worship, and endeavoring to become self-supporting in four years, has been made; and, by the blessing of God, has been successful, in the case of the *Jefferson Park Presbyterian Church, Chicago*.

The following resolution was passed at a joint meeting of the Session and Board of Trustees:

"Whereas the Board of Domestic Missions has generously aided this congregation for more than three years to the amount of seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and whereas the Board is now unable for want of funds, to help many of the poor churches struggling for existence throughout the country, applying for aid, therefore,

"*Resolved*, That it would be ungenerous for this congregation to renew their application again to the Board for aid. The Board of Trustees therefore request Dr. Patterson to write to the Board thanking them for the assistance so generously extended to this congregation, declining further assistance, and pledging us to a grateful and hearty



continuance of contribution to its funds, as the Lord may prosper us in future. And whereas, several gentlemen of the congregation have voluntarily offered to subscribe liberally to enable us to dispense with further aid from the Board, the Trustees rely with confidence upon the congregation to enable them to make up the deficiency for the coming year."

This experiment is a demonstration of the prudence of the policy pursued by the Board, of planting churches and giving them *effectual* aid in our great cities. The expenditure of \$2,812.50 by the Board in this case was the means of stimulating the organization of this church, and its expenditure of over \$25,000 in the cause of Christ; of which, it appears from the annexed return, that the collections for the various Boards and Funds of the Assembly last year amounted to \$1,578, or more than one-half of the whole expenditure by the Board repaid in one year.

Praying that the Great Head of the Church may glorify Himself by the continual bestowal of wisdom in the counsels, and success in all the efforts of the Board, I remain yours in-Christ,

ROBERT PATTERSON.

## STILL ANOTHER CHURCH SELF-SUSTAINING.

*Dear Sirs,*—We close another quarter of successful work for the Master. We continued daily meetings six weeks from the first of January. Our people were much revived. Ten have since been added to our church on profession of faith, five by letter. Our attendance on Sabbath service is large. Our new memorial church is almost full. It is not two years since we organized, and now our pew rent is about fifteen hundred dollars. I have recently been installed here. This has been a glorious work. To God be the praise, we are now self-supporting. When I asked aid I was only getting four hundred a year. This is all we could raise. This is an expensive place to live, and hence we involved ourselves in debt in this work. But the liberal salary just now commencing will enable me to live comfortably. The balance coming from the Board will pay our debt, and the prospects are encouraging. The difficulty looking us in the face is my weak throat. It is failing. I preached this winter until I could not speak above a whisper. But we are in the Saviour's hands.

## RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN FEBRUARY, 1871.

*Pby of Albany*—Carlisle ch \$7 00  
*Pby of Atlantic*—Freedom ch 12 50; Goodwill ch 30 42 50  
*Pby of Alton*—Alton ch 44 98, of which Sab-seh 14 98; Pleasant Ridge ch 11; Rockwood 1st ch 22 25; Trenton 1st ch. add'l 18; Hillsboro' ch 9 25; Belleville ch 25; Butler ch. add'l 2; Jerseyville ch 45 85; Salem Ger ch 10; Mt Pleasant ch 25; Cumberland ch 11; Chester ch 12 50; Rev P Hassinger and wife 10 247 83  
*Pby of Athens*—Warren ch 88; Tunnel ch 6 10; Scott's Landing ch 10; Decatur ch 6; Marietta Fourth St ch, from a member in Newport 125 10  
*Pby of Allegheny*—Cross Roads ch 20; Bridge water ch 31 80; Centre ch 44 05; Rev D L Dickey 5; Allegheny 1st ch 135; New Salem ch 15 85; Beaver ch 47 20; Emsworth ch 12 310 90  
*Pby of Baltimore*—Westminster ch. Baltimore, "a member for January" 6; Broadway ch 75; Aisquith St ch Sab-seh 20; Twelfth ch 75; Bel Air ch 11; Frederick ch 30; Clear Spring ch 2 15; Rev D L Rathbun 51 270 15  
*Pby of Benicia*—Healdsburg ch 5 50  
*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Belle Centre ch 8 25  
*Pby of Blairsville*—Beulah ch. add'l 5; Greensburg ch 51 97; Armagh ch 9 50; Centreville ch 7 73 47  
*Pby of Bloomington*—Towanda ch 20; Monticello

ch 8; Wapella ch 5; El Paso ch 8 27; Fairbury ch 50; Gilman ch 4 35; Urbana 1st ch 68 85, from "O" 8 164 47  
*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Remson St, add'l 80 74; Classon Ave ch, a balance 100; Throop Ave ch, mon coll 23 80 204 54  
*Pby of Buffalo*—Silver Creek ch, from Mrs G W Tew 50 00  
*Pby of Butler*—Muddy Creek ch 18 00  
*Pby of Cairo*—Elm Point ch 5; Gilgal ch 1; Elizabethtown ch 5 50; Golconda ch. add'l 4 50; Sandoval ch 2 54; Cairo 1st ch 100; Salem 1st ch 5 65; Shawneetown 1st ch 92; Pisgah ch. add'l 16 85; Woodland ch 6; Enfield ch 3 70; Carmi ch 1 243 74  
*Pby of Carlisle*—Big Spring (Newville) ch 296 50; Harrisburg 1st ch 833 25; Welsh Run ch 2 33 1132 08  
*Pby of Columbia*—Greenville ch 35 00  
*Pby of Clarion*—Bethesda ch 6 90; Oak Grove ch 6; Leatherwood ch 14 68; Brockville ch 20; Beech Woods ch 15 62 58  
*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Knightsville ch 20; Oxford ch 13; West Point ch 16 69; Newton ch 8; Rob Roy ch 7; Green Castle ch 23 66 88 26  
*Pby of Chicago*—Chicago 1st ch. a balance 358; Chicago 8th ch 85 01; Earlville ch 10; Dupage ch Sab-seh, mon coll 42 25 495 26  
*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Marietta ch 5; Mt Vernon ch 20; Andrew and Farmer's Creek ch 15;

Shellsburg ch 5; Camanche ch 15; Toledo ch 6; Tama City ch 4 70 00  
*Pby of Columbus*—Central College ch 10; New Holland ch 11; Valatie ch 25 46 00  
*Pby of Cleveland*—Guilford ch 12 00  
*Pby of Cincinnati*—Cincinnati 2d Ger ch 10; Lane Seminary ch 139 88; Bethel ch 17; Avondale ch 54; College Hill ch 68 19; Pleasant Ridge ch 8 39 297 46  
*Pby of Chillicothe*—Feesburg ch 14 00  
*Pby of Chester*—Chester 1st ch Sab-sch 20 00  
*Pby of Chippewa*—Big River ch 10; La Crosse ch 5 75; North La Crosse ch 2 50 18 25  
*Pby of Dayton*—Tippecanoe ch 14 35; Middletown ch 30; Venice ch 36 80; Hamilton ch, a balance 8; College Corner ch 13; East Dayton ch 24 50; Fletcher ch 5 65 132 30  
*Pby of Detroit*—Westminster ch, Detroit 191 07  
*Pby of Des Moines*—Adel ch 10 00  
*Pby of Dubuque*—Rossville ch 4; Dubuque 2d ch 42 20; McGregor Ger ch 6 52 20  
*Pby of Ebenezer*—Augusta ch 20 50; Maysville ch 31; Burlington ch 30 81 50  
*Pby of Elizabeth*—Rahway 1st ch 26 78  
*Pby of Erie*—Greenville ch 35; Cochranon ch 6; Warren ch 45; Park ch, Erie Sab-sch 25; Edinboro' ch 24; Greenfield ch 6 141 00  
*Pby of Fort Dodge*—Storm Lake ch 2 60; Algona ch 5 7 60  
*Pby of Freeport*—Galena Ger ch 12; Galena South ch 80 09; Freeport 1st ch 17 62 109 71  
*Pby of Fort Wayne*—Fort Wayne 1st ch 184 90; Larwill ch 6 50; Troy ch 6; Waterloo ch 20 217 40  
*Pby of Genesee*—Portageville ch (Memorial) from twelve persons 55 20  
*Pby of Huntingdon*—Little Valley ch 25; Middle Tuscarora ch 12 37 00  
*Pby of Hudson*—Unionville ch 13 00  
*Pby of Holston*—Elizabethton ch 8 12  
*Pby of Indianapolis*—Nobleville ch 31 50; Carpentersville ch 2; Greenwood ch 15 48 50  
*Pby of Iowa City*—Deep River ch 3; Columbus City ch 6; Red Oak ch 8; Crawfordsville ch 24 41 00  
*Pby of Iowa*—Sigourney ch 5; Montezuma ch 7; Kirksville ch 2 50 14 50  
*Pby of Jersey City*—Weehawken ch 10 00  
*Pby of Kingston*—Bethel ch, Ladies' Miss'y Ass'n 16 00  
*Pby of Kittanning*—Worthington ch 12; Bethesda ch 5; Ebenezer ch 28 74; Freeport ch Sab-sch 10 55 74  
*Pby of Lackawanna*—Newton ch, A G H. (Memorial) 10; Scranton Ger ch 4; Dunmore ch 6 20 00  
*Pby of Lehigh*—Allentownship ch 40; Tamagua ch 25; Stroudsburg ch, add'l 1 66 00  
*Pby of Lansing*—Irving ch 3 00  
*Pby of Lima*—Harrison ch 8; Shanesville ch 4 50; New Salem ch 2 50; Arcadia ch 5 20 00  
*Pby of Logansport*—Rensselaer ch 9 40; Concord ch 7 38; West Union ch 2 65; Bethlehem ch 1 97; Peru 1st ch 83; Valparaiso ch 70 56; Pisgah ch 3 179 96  
*Pby of Long Island*—Setauket ch 5 00  
*Pby of Louisville*—College St ch, Louisville 150 00  
*Pby of Marion*—Corinth ch 32 00  
*Pby of Maumee*—Haskins ch 2 50; Elmore ch 2 50; Milton Centre ch 2 50; Hicksville ch 11 53; Union ch 11; West Unity 1st ch 12 42 00  
*Pby of Mahoning*—East Palestine ch 5 50  
*Pby of Mattoon*—Vandalia ch 55; Vera ch 14; Grandview ch 12 81 00  
*Pby of Milwaukee*—Holland 2d ch, Milwaukee 13 00

*Pby of Monmouth*—Jamesburg ch, add'l 75; Bricksburg ch 25; Fairfield ch 20 60, of which Sab-sch 3 25; Red Bank ch Sab-sch 36 156 60  
*Pby of Missouri River*—Hazel Green ch 2 50; Bell Creek ch 1; Nebraska 1st ch Sab-sch 20; Glenwood ch 5 10 28 60  
*Pby of Monroe*—Burr Oak ch 7 50; Tecumseh 1st ch 71 25 78 85  
*Pby of Morris and Orange*—Orange 2d ch 430; Succasunna ch Miss'y Soc'y 25 455 00  
*Pby of New Albany*—Vernon ch 16; North Vernon ch 9; Jackson Co Ger ch 12; New Albany 2d ch 177 68; Lexington ch 13 80; Sharon ch 3 60; Versailles ch 5; New Washington ch 15 55; Madison ch 166 45 419 08  
*Pby of Newark*—South Park ch, Newark, mon con 52 42; Montclair ch 500; Bloomfield ch, add'l 72 624 42  
*Pby of New Orleans*—New Orleans 1st Ger ch 10 00  
*Pby of Niagara*—Lockport 2d Ward ch 20 00  
*Pby of New Castle*—Newark 1st ch Sab-sch 15 10  
*Pby of Nassau*—Newtown ch 84 39; E Williamsburg ch 5; Huntington 1st ch, mon con coll, in part 60 149 39  
*Pby of Newton*—Newton 1st ch 42 19; Belvidere 2d ch 50 92 19  
*Pby of Neosho*—Garnett ch 13 00  
*Pby of New Brunswick*—Pennington ch 169; Trenton 3d ch, add'l 72 37; New Brunswick 2d ch, in part 21 50; Flemington ch 194 39; Frenchtown ch 60 508 26  
*Pby of New York*—First ch, add'l 250; Brick ch, add'l 875; West ch 967 97; Ch of the Covenant, add'l 125; Fourteenth St ch 249; Fourth Ave ch, from H I 200; Eleventh ch 228 80; Madison Square ch, add'l 1385; Fourth ch 836 30; New York ch 100 5,217 07  
*Pby of Northumberland*—Williamsport 1st ch Sab-sch 22; St Mary's ch 20; Great Island ch 69 111 00  
*Pby of Osage*—Sedalia ch 16; Austin ch 5; Clinton ch 15 80; Lexington 1st ch 7 50; Butler ch 14 08 58 38  
*Pby of Otsego*—Delhi 1st ch 30; Guilford Centre ch 28 30 58 30  
*Pby of Ottawa*—Troy Grove ch 4 00  
*Pby of Ozark*—Greenfield ch 16 00  
*Pby of Palmyra*—Pleasant Prairie ch 9; Shelbyville ch 10; Kirksville ch 20, of which Sab-sch 6 39 00  
*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Pittsburg 4th ch 50; Wilkinsburg ch 62 18; Valley ch 11 40; Westminster ch 19 55; East Liberty ch 293 77, of which mon con 23 98; Bethel ch 100 541 90  
*Pby of Peoria*—Fulton St ch, Peoria, Sab-sch 50; Mansfield ch 5 55 00  
*Pby of Portsmouth*—Frankfort and Greenland chs 25 65; Cedron ch 5 50; Felicity ch 8 65; Portsmouth ch 750 35; Georgetown ch 15 65 805 30  
*Pby of Potosi*—Mine La Mott ch 18 35  
*Pby of Platte*—Albany ch 5 40; Fillmore ch, from Dr W E Brown 10 15 40  
*Pby of Philadelphia*—First ch, Phila 968 72; Phila 9th ch, add'l 5; Clinton St ch, Phila, add'l 10; Phila 2d ch, from a member 150 1133 72  
*Pby of Philadelphia Central*—E Kensington ch 66; Spring Garden ch Sab-sch 40 75 106 75  
*Pby of Philadelphia North*—Norristown 1st ch Sab-sch 50; Tioga St ch 68; Market Square ch, Germantown 28 146 00  
*Pby of Redstone*—Round Hill ch 47 60; Laurel Hill ch 49 68; Brownsville ch 75; Rehoboth ch 176 26, (of which E Sab-sch 14 15, C Sab-sch 15 73); Greenboro' ch 3; Little Redstone ch 15; Mt Pleasant ch, Miss E Griffin 5 371 54  
*Pby of Rock River*—Malden ch 6 50; Aledo 1st ch 10; Rock Island ch 40 56 50  
*Pby of Rochester*—West Mendon ch, Honeoye Falls 22; Rochester 3d Sab-sch 74 96 00



<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Hornellsville ch, from a lady	5 00
<i>Pby of San Francisco</i> —Contra Costa ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Unity ch 75 25; New Castle 1st ch 98 24	173 49
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Scotch Ridge ch Sab-sch	5 00
<i>Pby of San José</i> —Livermore ch 25; Oakland ch 82; Gilroy ch 18 84; Watsonville ch 25; San Diego 1st ch 20 75	171 59
<i>Pby of Schuylcr</i> —Westminster ch, Quincy 20; Rushville 1st ch Sab-sch 14 36	34 36
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Saginaw City ch, add'l. from G N Smith 100; Flint 1st ch 25 35; Bennington ch 6 80	132 15
<i>Pby of Santa Fe</i> —Santa Fe ch	30 00
<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Stone St ch 53 66; Hammond ch 30	83 66
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —St Louis 2d ch 600; Bethlehem ch 3 50	603 50
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bloomfield ch 19 10; Centre Unity ch 2; Island Creek ch 23; Cross Creek ch 10	51 10
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Farmington ch 7 40; Central ch, St Paul, add'l 100; Vermillion ch 4; Rev J B Poage 4; Rockford ch 4; Delano ch 7; Long Lake ch 4; Stillwater 2d ch 9	139 40
<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Baldwinsville ch 25; Skaneateles ch 120	145 00
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Whitehall ch 51; Stillwater 1st ch 21 85	72 85
<i>Pby of Union</i> —Grassy Cove ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Redfield and Osceola chs 13 43; Rev S Haines, Rome, N Y 30	43 43
<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Mt Vernon ch	17 00
<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Eldora ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Cross Creek ch 81 72; Cross Roads ch Sab-sch 40, (Memorial); Wheeling 1st ch 239 66; Washington 1st ch 183 70	545 05
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington 4th ch 225; Manassas ch 3; New York Ave ch 58 83; Nealsville branch of Nealsville and Darnestown chs 9	295 83
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Frank Hill ch 1 50; Winona Ger ch 3; Rolling Stone ch 1 50	6 00
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —West Columbia ch 3 10; Upper Flats ch 5; Newburg ch 10; Portland ch 5	23 10
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Wrightsville ch	20 00
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —New Castle ch 4 90; Hagers-town ch 2 70; Liberty ch 16 70; Ripley ch 5; Graham ch 9 50; Aurora ch 50; Lawrenceburg ch 25 20	114 00
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Cape Island ch Sab-sch 23; Bridgeton 2d ch 44 49	67 40
<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Yorktown ch 40; Sing Sing ch, add'l 50; Sab-sch of Bridgeport 1st ch 580, (Memorial); South Salem ch. Ladies Benev Soc'y 50; Bedford 1st ch Sab-sch 11; New Rochelle ch, from Simeon Lester 100, (Memorial)	831 00
<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Prairie du Sac ch 25; Platteville Ger ch 16	41 00
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Pataskala ch 34; Kirkville ch 11; Mt Pleasant ch 15 05, of which 7 25 Memorial; West Carlisle and Jefferson chs 37 40; Buffalo ch 28 35	125 80

Total received from churches, \$21,079 36

**LEGACIES.**—Patterson Estate, Pittsburg, Pa 18 25; Balance of legacy of Mrs Siba Buslinell, dec'd, late of Brockport, N Y 197 21, less exch 98 cts = 196 23; Legacy of Jos Woods, dec'd, late of Moorefield, Ky 500; Legacy in part of Miss Anna Mead, late of Syracuse, N Y 200 40, less exch 1 30 = 239 10; Legacy of John C Baldwin, dec'd, late of Orange, N J 10,000; Interest, "Yandis Fund" 175; Ferry Ministry Fund 300

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—Rev John Tenney, Cincinnati, Ohio 5; A Young Lady, Stockbridge, Mass 5; Mrs Anna H Wilder, Germantown, Pa 5, (Me-

morial); Zion Congregation, Ind 10; St Peter's Congregation, Ind 1 65; Returned check 200; Mrs J L Park, Canonsburg, Pa 500, (Memorial); "Aunt Jane" 5, (Memorial); D M L 40; Mrs John Morrison 5; "Dee" 20; Mrs A S B 4; Mrs Contout 2; James Bayard, Esq, Phila, Pa 500, (Memorial); Little Ada Fulcher, contents of a money box 2; Wm Ashmead, M D, Germantown, Pa 100, (Memorial); Mrs Lydia M Day, Colorado 5; Rev G S Woodhull, Flemington, N J 50, (Memorial); Society of Inquiry of Union Theo Sem'y, N Y 29 50; S S Dobbins, Esq, Danville, Ill 50; E B Fuller and wife, Trenton, N J 110, (Memorial); Wm Shear, Augusta, Ga 10; P and wife, Clayton N J 10; Mrs K. Troy, N Y 20; Mrs Ann Helffenstein, Germantown, Pa 5, (Memorial); Mrs C H Waldhaws, Annapolis, Md 20; Memorial from Ella M Martin 25; Isabel Dickson Martin 25, Chalmas Martin 25, Paul Martin 25 = 100

1,796 15

Total in February, \$34,424 09

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30 Vesey Street, New York;

#### CLOTHING.

3 boxes from the ladies of 1st ch Mendham, N J, valued at	\$285 23
1 box from the ladies of Macomb ch, Ill, valued at	51 00
1 box from the ladies of 2d ch Jersey City, N J, valued at	120 00
1 box from the ladies of 1st ch Allegheny, Pa, valued at	286 00
2 boxes from the ladies of Putnam ch, Ohio, valued at	325 00
1 box from the Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y of Downingtown ch, Pa, valued at	31 25
1 box from the Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y of 1st ch Columbus, Ohio, valued at	223 00
4 boxes from the ladies of 2d ch Pittsburg, Pa, valued at	639 00
1 box from the ladies of 1st ch Wheeling, W. Va, valued at	150 00
1 box from the ladies of 2d ch Wheeling, W. Va, valued at	250 00
1 box from the 2d ch Plainfield, N J, valued at	175 00
1 box from the Ladies' Benev Soc'y of Newton, N J, valued at	155 00
1 box from the ladies of the Fourteenth St ch, New York City, valued at	100 00
1 box from the Fort St ch Detroit, Mich, valued at	40 00

\$2,820 43

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The Board of Domestic Missions of the Presbyterian Church acknowledges the following:

Balance of a Legacy of David Lyle, dec'd, late of Washington, Pa	7 52
Legacy in part of Hon Edward Avery, dec'd, late of Ohio, 100, less exchange 25 cts	99 75
Rents	899 00
	\$997 27

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me.—Matt. xxv.

## INSIDE THE WALLS.

BY REV. HERRICK JOHNSON, D.D.

This is a building era! A time of endowments. Great sums are being appropriated to the structural in our Christianity. Rich men, thank God, are getting possessed with the idea that wealth is a trust, just as a talent for preaching is, or a gift of prayer. We hear the big droppings, fifty thousand dollars, twenty thousand, a hundred thousand, into the Lord's treasury, telling of the practical side of our piety. Presbyterianism must be studying the Epistle of James. Up go the memorials, five millions worth.

But all this is for the outward. It is, indeed, adding to the institutional efficiency of our life as a Church. It will be grandly helpful in the years to come. This stone quarried into college building and church edifices, this timber arching spacious halls of learning and sacred auditories, these manses housing our poorly paid ministry, these princely endowments enabling our higher institutions, collegiate and theological, to make something more of their life than a struggle for existence, will give a permanence, and steadiness, and augmented vigor to the push of our evangelism, of which few have any adequate conception. Shame on the murmurers who think it a waste to *build these walls*.

But we must not be overborne by the outward. What if the structural swallow us up? or, which is much the same thing, swallow our stream of benevolence up? The body is a good thing; but not everything. The soul in it is a better thing. Walls are desirable; but what of the folk inside of them? Every college needs students. Every pulpit needs a man. We must not forget, while we build churches and colleges, that we are building men too. There is danger that this living masonry may be lost sight of in the present pressure for material structure.

Our Church has under her care over six hundred young men on their way to the ministry. She is solemnly pledged to help them get ready to preach. They are being built and fashioned for important places in God's temple. Shall the work stop? Shall it be hindered? Shall it be impaired? Beyond a question it will be, if the Church withholds that assistance which is needed by the Board of Education to carry these young men well through their course of preparation. The six hundred are an answer to prayer. Many of them are the gifts of poverty to the ministry. All of them are the gifts of piety. They are endorsed by their Presbyteries. They are diligent in study. They are the living stones being polished for high place. The two Mission Boards could locate the half of them this very hour, if they were through with their fashioning.

Must they be embarrassed and discouraged in this formative period by the failure of the church to meet her sacredly assumed obligations to them? Already the treasury of the Board of Education is overdrawn thousands of dollars. There are

only two months more of receipts, and fifty thousand dollars still to pay; while about as much more ought to be received to carry the Board over the dry season.

Hundreds of churches have yet made no contribution to this cause of ministerial education. It is the *basis* cause in the benevolent scheme of our church. *It makes the men.* Shall there not be an immediate response all along the line to this appeal for the six hundred? Are there not men of wealth, who have already given grandly for some material structure, willing to add to their liberality by a special contribution to carry on this work inside the walls? There is danger of its being neglected. It is threatened with serious embarrassment.

Let the memorial monuments be builded. They will be right arms of strength to us in the future conflicts. Carry up outer walls. They will be bulwarks of defence for long time to come. But let the Church see to it that this interior work is thoroughly carried forward with no abatement and no delay of appropriation. Else she will be obliged at the close of this ecclesiastical year to look six hundred of her consecrated sons in the face while her brow reddens with the memory of broken promises.

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#### A TRACT BY DR. HOPE.

The gifted Dr. Matthew B. Hope was a native of Mifflin County, Pa. He was sent in 1835 by the American Board of Commissioners as one of their first missionaries to the Chinese, then scarcely accessible save at the posts of the East Indian Archipelago, and the neighboring countries to which they traded in large numbers. He was planted at Singapore, at the extremity of the peninsula of Malacca. The intense heat, for the city is almost directly under the equator, produced an affection of the brain, which compelled him to leave that interesting field, and from which he never wholly recovered. On his return to America, he soon devoted himself to advancing the interests of the Board of Education, in which he was deeply interested, partly on account of its great importance to the missionary work, and partly on account of his family interest in it, his father-in-law, the excellent Matthew Bevan, Esq., being an ardent friend of the cause, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Education, which he served thus for seventeen years, and as its President for two years. Dr. Hope was made Assistant and Financial Secretary of the Board in 1839, and Corresponding Secretary in 1842. His later years were spent in Princeton, N. J., where he was a professor in the college, and publisher of its well-known Review, until his death in 1859.

This little sketch is designed to interest the readers of the MONTHLY RECORD in the author of a brief tract, or circular, which we publish in the present number, and which has some personal application to every one of them. It is not a portion of a learned essay or review, or of his volume on Rhetoric, but it is a group of ten terse and pointed sentences, designed to show how *each individual* may *do something* to help on the work which he had so much at heart. The following, with some necessary changes, is the tract:

#### I. MINISTERS MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By their sympathies and coöperation in its plans; by their prayers in public and private; by presenting at proper times the wants of this organ of the Church from the pulpit; and by bringing the claims of the ministry, and its mission to our dying race, before pious and gifted young men.

#### II. PARENTS MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By dedicating their children to God; by giving them a religious education; and by encouraging them, if pious and otherwise qualified, to examine their duty as to entering the ministry.

## III. TEACHERS MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By mingling religious truth with their daily instructions; by affording facilities to indigent youth to obtain an education in their schools; and by setting forth to them the claims of the Christian ministry and the wants of the world.

## IV. THE RICH MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By aiding through it one or more indigent students, (\$100 to \$200 a year to each,) and by legacies. "Distributing to the necessities of saints."

## V. FEMALES MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By devoting their children, as Hannah or Elizabeth, to the Lord; by pecuniary contributions; by interesting Sabbath-schools and scholars in this excellent cause.

## VI. CHURCHES MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By raising up candidates for the ministry; by supporting liberally those already preparing; and by praying to the Lord of the harvest.

## VII. HOUSEHOLDS OR FAMILIES MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By engaging to educate a young man to preach the gospel. Surely there are many pious households that are able to do this. Some have begun this year.

## VIII. YOUNG MEN MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By offering themselves to the ministry; or by agreeing together to educate a young man for the ministry. If several in a church give a few dollars each, for a few years, it is done. Young men, "ye are strong." Unite in aid of the young men's cause.

## IX. THE POOR MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By their mites, which are often the chief gifts in the treasury; by their prayers; and by giving their children to the Lord.

## X. ALL MAY AID THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,

By prayer, sympathy, efforts, gifts, and every way in which a self-sacrificing Christian may do the will of "THE LORD OF THE HARVEST."

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OUR RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

This period of the year is that which the Church has generally devoted to Education. The earlier months of the winter are given to home missions, a season most appropriate to that object, when the harsh winds of the prairies, and the severity of the first onsets of the cold in most parts of the country, make our dear brethren who are engaged in this great department of holy enterprise feel the need of comfortable provision, in clothing and in a variety of stores, for the wants of themselves and families. And how timely then is the means to purchase a few volumes to study in preparation for the increased efforts which are often made in the season when "God sealeth up the hand of every man, that all men may know work." The opening year is devoted to prayer and gifts for the Church's efforts to send the gospel to the nations which lie in the region and shadow of death, and to pour upon them the light of eternal life. And other portions of the year have by the general judgment of the Church been deemed more suitable to the presentation of the wants of one or another of the grand instrumentalities by which the gifts of salvation are to be distributed to all classes, conditions and races of men. It has ever seemed to us that there is a special fitness in dedicating to the consideration of Education the spring time, the seed and sowing time of the year, the time of revival rains in nature and in grace, after pastors have given instruction, and praying men and women have been crying to God, in regard to the destitutions of the world. Then come in most powerfully the prayers and the appeals for the increase of "laborers," the class of objects which the Board of Education has in view. Now is the time to bring them before every congregation, and those which have not done so to make contributions in aid of the cause.



It must be declared, with regret, that the contributions thus far are not what might have been expected. Some churches have done nobly, but the larger number have given less than usual. And we must now make most emphatic appeals to brethren, first, to bring up this object in every church, and, second, to endeavor to obtain for it an increase upon former contributions. If not helped promptly, and helped effectively, the Board will be crippled in its work as it has not been for many years.

### ENCOURAGEMENT FROM A VENERABLE PASTOR.

A pastor who during a long life has been exceeded by few in usefulness, and who ever leads his people in acts of liberality for Christian purposes, by the devotion to them of a tenth of his own income, writes the following words to sustain our hearts in the work which the Church has laid upon the Board of Education:

"I took the ground yesterday before my people, which I have long held, that the cause of Education is the *foundation* of all our benevolent schemes. It is the first, and the basis, of all the rest. It begins in the cradle. The pious mother is a theological teacher; and the Church is a nursing mother, the more advanced instructor. The youth is to be prepared for the work of a minister of the Word mainly by the Word itself. The Bible is his tool to work with, his sword to fight with. Then comes in a third agency, furnishing the workman with a field to work in—missions, home and foreign. And finally a fourth, which supplies him with side-arms and other helps, tracts, books, &c.

"I wish we could send you a hundred times as much as the enclosed for your Board. The collection, I am happy to say, is a large advance upon our last year's contribution to the same object.

Very truly, your brother."

### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN FEBRUARY, 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Rockwell's Falls ch	\$3 50
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Aisquith St ch	39 02
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Polk Run ch 56 63; Ebensburg ch 15; Livermore ch 22	93 63
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Ripley ch, N Y	15 52
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Second ch Auburn 23 40; Port Byron ch 34 40	62 80
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Mt Vernon ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Chenung</i> —Watkins ch	40 82
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Wayne ch, from Miss T 2; Sab-sch of 1st ch Chester 15	17 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati 2d ch, (add'l) 37 50	37 50
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —First ch Ashtabula 12; Cleveland 2d ch 75	87 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordville</i> —Terre Haute ch 15; Ross-ville ch 2	17 00
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Chariton ch 5; Osceola ch 4	9 00
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Third ch Elizabeth	56 71
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —First ch Erie. 100; Warren ch 15; Union Mills ch 8	123 00
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Penn Yan ch	47 28
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<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Norwood ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Niles ch, Mich	28 48
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Glade Run ch 30; Leech-burgh ch 14 75; Mahoning ch 9	53 75
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<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Neeenah ch	29 31
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Tamaqua ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Lyons ch	14 43
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Lowellville ch Sab-sch	5 00
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Stone Bank ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tennent ch	25 00
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Dutch Neck ch	20 00
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<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Sunbury ch	37 60
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Palmyra ch 10; Shelbyville ch 5	15 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —From "A Member" of 2d	

ch Phila 100; From "A Member" of 9th ch Phila 5	105 00
<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Connellsville ch 39 30; Union-town ch 60	99 30
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Brookport ch 25 28; Brighton ch 10; 1st ch Geneseo 35	70 28
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Millersburg ch 10; 1st ch Aledo 5; Galena Ger ch 7	22 00
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —College St ch	50 00
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Central ch, St Paul	50 00
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Fourth ch Wheeling 11; 1st ch Washington 59 15	70 15
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —New York Ave ch 52 83; 6th ch Washington 20	92 83
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Wooster ch	60 40
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Mt Zion ch	8 50

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#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Geo Burlingame, Marietta, Ohio 5; Jacob Fund, Int in part 233 35; "Dee," 3; Mrs E M H, Phila 5; H M Lane, Jersey City, N J 5; Wm Shear, Augusta, Geo 10; A Friend S W A 10; For Education of Minister's Son through The Pres-byterian 10	281 35
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## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

**NEW COMMUNICANTS.**—The letters of this last month make mention of a goodly number of persons “added to the Church;” we trust they are “such as shall be saved.” In Brazil nine were admitted to the church of Rio de Janeiro, and three to the church of Brotas; in India, two to the church of Rawal Pindi, and five to the church of Allahabad; in China, fourteen to the new church of Ping-tu—see account in another paragraph; among the Indians, seven to the Seneca church, Alleghany Reservation—see a fuller notice below.

In their reports of the last year, lately received, Mr. Dougherty mentions the admission of two persons to the Chippewa church of Grand Traverse, and Mr. Hamilton speaks of five persons admitted to the Omaha church, Nebraska. These new communicants were all received upon examination, and in nearly all instances by baptism, though a few had been baptized in infancy. From Liberia we receive reports of new members added to some of the churches last year.

**ENCOURAGEMENT IN SYRIA.**—Dr. Jessup says, “there is probably more of spiritual interest in Syria now than there has been for five years.” Large and solemn congregations are spoken of, and also applications for preaching at new towns, as well as cases of earnest inquiry. Two native preachers were sent from Beirut to a Maronite village in Central Lebanon, from which a deputation had come to ask for the gospel; on reaching the village near midnight the people came together to hear them, and several hours were spent in religious instruction and prayer before they retired to rest. A Protestant Syrian in the hospital in Beirut had died in full peace, after giving a most pleasing testimony to the power of divine grace. Mr. S. Jessup of Tripoli writes, “This month I have urgent applications for schools and preachers in three different places which are from thirty to fifty miles apart.” The brethren still urge the call for more men in this field.

**A WORK OF GRACE AMONG THE SENECA.**—Mr. Hall writes concerning the Indians on the Alleghany Reservation. Special services had been held for some weeks, deep interest became apparent, and after full examination and trial seven persons were received into the communion of the church; the interest manifested in the subject of religion still continues, and it is hoped that many others will be brought into the fold of Christ.

**NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED IN CHINA.**—Dr. Nevius reports the continued progress of religious inquiry in the neighborhood of Ping-tu. He and Mr. Capp had spent two weeks in visiting this region, during which they organized a church in a village called Tieh-Lien Chwang, about one hundred and twenty miles from Tungchow. Twenty-two members of the Tungchow church, who live in this Ping-tu district, together with fourteen additional converts, were united in this new church. An elder and a deacon were chosen with great harmony, and an amount of money was subscribed nearly sufficient to support a minister were one to be had. This church receives no pecuniary aid from the mission, nor is there any one supported by the mission who is laboring for it. It is mentioned as worthy of note that four of the members are women. The Christians living in this vicinity have met with much opposition and persecution; there were rumors that all of them were to be put to death. But not one church member or inquirer has renounced Christianity, and the religious interest is spreading into other villages. It is certainly a



remarkable movement. We do not wonder that the missionaries are greatly interested in its progress.

RECEIPTS, MAY 1ST TO MARCH 1ST.—From churches, \$141,043; from legacies, \$10,017; from miscellaneous donors, \$11,691; in all, \$162,732. Receipts in the same months last year, \$175,854, of which from churches, \$135,930.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO MARCH 14TH.—From Alleghany, Seneca Mission, March 8th; Little Traverse, February 2d; Seminole, February 27th; Creek, March 7th; Navajo, February 21st; San Francisco, March 6th; Tungchow, December 12th; Chefoo, January 2d; Shanghai, January 12th; Hangechow, January 4th; Ningpo, January 9th; Canton, January 19th; Bangkok, December 21st; Petchaburi, January 4th; Allahabad, January 11th; Mynpurie, January 17th; Futtehghurh, February 1st; Ambala, December 27th; Lodiana, January 17th; Lahor, January 12th; Rawal Pindi, December 26th; Kolapore, January 19th; Beirut, February 13th; Tripoli, January 25th; Monrovia, February 7th; Gaboon, December 10th; Rio de Janeiro, January 25th; Brotas, December 30th.

## TWO CREEK CHRISTIAN WOMEN, ENTERED INTO REST.

Mrs. Robertson, of the Creek Mission, pays the following tribute to the memory of two of their converts, under date of February 6th, 1871.

Our little church has been sorely bereaved during the past year in the death of two of "those women which labored in the Lord," both of them former scholars of our two Creek boarding-schools, and an honor to their teachers. The first taken was J. M., one who in her childhood had been a most faithful daughter to Mrs. Templeton, the missionary's wife, during the last year of her life, when sickness deprived her of the ability to take care of her infant child. And may this now be recorded of her, for none are worthy of greater honor than those for whom missionaries have labored, who at once repay them by supplying to them the places of the far distant friends whom they have left.

In later years she attended the Tallahassee school, won the admiration of all her teachers by her loveliness of character, and here united with our church. During the war she was married, and on the reorganising of the Creek Presbyterian church, was received, with her husband. At her last visit, when she came to attend our communion season, I conversed with her, more than ever before, as to her love and work for Jesus, and greatly admired the grace which was in her. O may her mantle descend upon her orphan sister, now in our school, to whom she was both sister and mother. In July she was suddenly called home,

but peacefully gave her parting message for her dear ones, having frequently before her sickness expressed the belief that she would not long remain on earth.

In September, followed Mrs. Haines, formerly Keziah Anderson, whose name is given in the "Manual of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church," as a native assistant teacher at the Kowetah school in the years 1853 and '54. She had the previous year lost her husband, who with herself had been a member of the Kowetah church, and both had embraced the earliest opportunity of being again in the fold. Her house was truly a home for the missionary which, her excellent house-keeping, her generous hospitality, and a grace of manner rarely surpassed, made a delightful resting place. Only a few hours separated between comparative health, and the last long sleep, and those were hours of fever's delirium, but her "works do follow" her, and these are of far more value than pious death-bed messages can ever be without them. Sadly will the pastor feel these losses, when, if life and strength are spared, "vacation" will allow him again to visit that part of his flock from among whom they were taken, but thanksgivings will be mingled with his grief, that God has placed such "treasure in earthen vessels."

## THE "SYRIA MISSION" FIELD.

The Rev. S. H. Calhoun of Abeih, Mount Lebanon, gives as a part of the annual report of the Syria Mission the following clear and satisfactory view of



the field of labor occupied by this mission. Mr. Calhoun is one of the older members of the mission, and writes from a thorough knowledge of the subject. At his request the usual honorary letters are omitted from his name.

As this report is to be prepared for a new Board, it will, no doubt, be expected of us that we enter more into detail than we have been accustomed to do at the close of each successive year for our old patrons.

The Abeih Station is the only one on Lebanon connected with the Syria Mission. It was established about twenty-six years ago. Its out-stations are numerous; of which, as well as of the seminary for young men, more particular information will be given in a subsequent part of this report.

As many of those for whom we now write may not be familiar with the topography of this portion of our field, it is proper that we introduce them to it in a brief preface.

Mount Lebanon, the "goodly mountain" of the Bible, is rather a range of mountains extending from the River Leontes near Tyre on the south, in a northerly direction to what is by many supposed to be the "entering in of Hamath" behind Tripoli. Its length is not far from eighty miles, as it stretches along the coast of the Mediterranean. It seldom comes down in bold front to the sea, but retiring a few miles inward leaves between it and the shore a series of plains, (the old Phœnecian plains,) which are remarkable for their fertility and beauty. The breadth of Lebanon, measuring from the sea to its eastern base, is on an average about twenty-five miles. The highest ridge is not far from its eastern boundary, from which the mountain breaks abruptly down into the magnificent plain of Coelo-Syria. This backbone of the Lebanon has an elevation of from four thousand five hundred to ten thousand feet, its higher points being toward the north. Its front or western face, overlooking the Mediterranean, is made up of ridges running north and south, which gradually lose their elevation till they sink into the plains along the seashore. The ridges now spoken of are intersected by valleys, and ravines, and deep gorges, through which flow streams of pure water formed by the fountains which gush out from the higher parts of the mountain. The steep banks of these valleys, (and ravines where practicable,) have been terraced in the ages past

by an immense outlay of labor, thus forming an ascending series of platforms, in which are cultivated the fig, and vine, and mulberry, and as we descend towards the sea, the olive, and orange, and a variety of other fruit trees. The beauty of these valleys in the fullness and richness of their verdure is indescribable. The one in front of Abeih, our missionary station, is to look at, an earthly paradise. Standing at the head of some of these valleys and looking down and around, one apprehends, as never before, the force and the faith of Habakkuk's expression of confidence in God: "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines, the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no wheat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls; yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation."

The dependence of the population of Lebanon for support is chiefly on the mulberry and olive trees, the one for the production of silk, and the other for food and oil. Of wheat there is raised about one-third of what is needed for consumption. The other two-thirds are procured from the sale of silk, and oil, and other products of lesser value. Coelo-Syria on the other side of Lebanon, and Hauran, (the ancient Auranitis,) east of the Jordan, are still as of old the granary of Syria.

An account of Lebanon, however brief, would hardly be acceptable without a reference, at least, to the cedars.

On some other occasion we may enter more into detail. At present it will be sufficient to say that the cedar is still found in various parts of the mountain, but in no place is it carefully preserved except in the high region behind Tripoli. The grove there, at a height of six thousand seven hundred feet above the sea level, contains about four hundred trees, and is guarded with superstitious reverence by the population in those quarters. Two of them measure more than forty feet in circumference. Several of them are of an age that dates, without a doubt, from a remote antiquity.

The inhabitants of Lebanon number about three hundred thousand, and may be divided into three classes, Druzes, Maronites, and Greeks. There are also a few thousands of Mohammedans.

The Druzes, as a religious sect, date from the earlier part of the eleventh century. Their founder was one of the Fatimite Caliphs of Egypt, el Hakim by name, who virtually abjured Mohammed-

danism, and following out the idea that all the Caliphs are endowed with a portion of the divinity, claimed for himself divine honors. It does not appear that the Druzes recognize any other God than el Hakim incarnate. They believe that he will appear again at no distant period, to punish all unbelievers, and secure a final triumph to the true religion, *i.e.* the religion of the Druzes. They have other metaphysical notions about the divinity, (using such terms as "Universal Intelligence," "The Word," &c., in a *personal* sense,) which indicate that the idea of *plurality in the deity* underlies their scheme, as it seems to do all the schemes of Paganism, though in theory they reject such belief, and are most rigid Unitarians. The other prominent articles in the creed of the Druzes are, the doctrine of the *transmigration of souls*, and *fatalism*. In regard to transmigration, they do not seem to hold that the souls of men ever enter the bodies of *inferior* animals; but that as the life of individuals has been good or bad, so their succeeding life, on the return of their souls to inhabit other human bodies, will be of a higher or lower family than the preceding one. Thus a bad king in his next incarnation may be a beggar, and a beggar a king.

*Fatalism*, though having in practical life a less influence on the Druzes than on the Mohammedans, yet in religious worship has greatly more. The latter have forms of direct worship which are strictly observed; but it does not appear that the Druzes ever pray after any prescribed form, or indeed in any way, having the conviction that prayer cannot change the divine purposes. God and man, in their theory, are alike destitute of free will. And yet the deeper principles of our nature, in their practical life, give the lie to their theory. Their language, as they continually use it, is full of expressions which involve the idea of the existence of a prayer-hearing God, such as "May God keep you," "May he bless you," "May he curse you," &c.

The Druzes are in number on Lebanon about thirty-five thousand, and occupy the southern half of the mountain, a considerable population of Greeks and Maronites being intermingled with them. They never intermarry into other sects. Their religion is secret, so far as their own promulgation of its articles of belief is concerned; though of late years, as a result of the civil wars, many of their books (all in manu-

script) have come forth to the light. The entire Druze community is divided into the *initiated* and *uninitiated*. The former alone attend the places of religious assembly. The others, as far as we know, have no religious forms, or at least ostensibly practice none. The initiated assemble in their religious houses, which are always outside the villages, and carefully guarded against intruders, every Thursday evening. In their meetings, it is generally understood that they read more or less in their metaphysical books and books of traditional superstition, but spend the most of the time in discussing what pertains to their civil polity and interests.

The Maronites, who number not far from one hundred and fifty thousand, have almost exclusive possession of the northern half of Lebanon. In that quarter is the centre of their ecclesiastical power, the patriarch having his residence there. The convents are numerous, and a large portion of the wealth of the region is vested in them, so that the hierarchy is supreme. There are probably few communities anywhere which are under so complete a subjection to papal authority. In their earlier history they were Monothelites, having received their doctrines from a monk, John Maron, from whom also they took the name of Maronites. Maron died about A. D. 700. In the latter part of the twelfth century, and when the Crusaders were here, they went over in a body, about forty thousand in number, to the papacy, and submitted themselves to the Latin patriarch of Antioch. From that time they have continued most steadfast adherents of the Roman Pontiffs. Our mission has as yet been able to accomplish no direct missionary work in their quarter of the mountain, nor even to establish schools. Light, however, has penetrated the darkness in some places, by means of copies of the Bible and other religious books. Among the Maronites who reside in the Druze part of the mountain, however, the truth has exerted more power, and several of the members of our churches are from that sect.

The Greeks and Greek Catholics, in number say fifty thousand, constitute the third principal body of the Lebanon population. It is among these that our labors have been most successful. Though rigid ritualists, and building their hope upon their ceremonial observances, yet they do not seem to be held in so perfect a bondage to ecclesiastical superiors as the Maronites. The



Bible circulates with more freedom among them, and they are far more ready to put their children into our schools. In all our churches they form a large majority of the members. In our Theological class of six, four were Greeks, one Romanist, and one Druze.

All these various communities speak the same language, the Arabic. In their origin, the Druzes are undoubtedly from the old Arab stock. The Maronites are descended from the Syrian population which inhabited Syria in the time of our Saviour. The Greeks are probably the descendants of the Greek colonists who settled in the country in the days of the successors of Alexander the Great. The Greek language was used by them till the coming in of the Saracens in the eighth century.

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#### "SOME ACCOUNT OF THE YEAR'S WORK."

(Concluded from page 50.)

Mr. Corbett closes his report with brief notices of the schools and other agencies at Chefoo, expresses his conviction that these missionary labors are not in vain, and gives praise to God for his goodness.

The children in both the boys' and girls' school have endeared themselves to us by their uniform good behaviour and commendable progress in study. The public examination at the close of the year gave great satisfaction to the parents and many spectators who attended. The debate, and some of the orations, spoken by the boys, would have been creditable to many a school at home. Public speaking is not practised by the natives, neither is arithmetic, geography, nor grammar taught in their schools. Three of the boys, and four of the girls, have become Christians, and united with the church.

The usual class of native assistants was continued during the winter. Their studies were pursued with much interest. The time thus spent was pleasant, and, I trust, profitable to all concerned. The regular Sabbath services and weekly prayer-meeting have been uninterrupted. Daily chapel preaching has been one important branch of our work.

It has been my privilege to preach regularly in the afternoon, also in the forenoon during the warm weather. Two of the native preachers have ren-

dered most efficient service in the work. The chapel has been opened daily from morning till dark. During the summer the average daily attendance probably exceeded one hundred. Some remain but a few moments, others become interested and return from time to time. Tracts and portions of sacred scripture have been distributed to all who could read and would receive them.

About three hundred towns and villages have been visited, many of them frequently, and the gospel preached to all who would hear. We have not been permitted to see the results we have prayed and longed for, yet we have much to encourage us. The influence of the gospel is undoubtedly extending and deepening in this region. Extensive trips into the interior are at present impracticable, owing to the excited and unsettled state of the country. We trust and pray that God's time to favor Zion in this land is near, and therefore labour and wait in hope.

We praise God for sparing us to the end of another year, for giving us so many blessings and joys, and abundant opportunities for preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ. We rejoice that "we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us."

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#### RETURN TO TUNGCHOW.

The Rev. E. P. Capp writes as follows, under date at Tungchow, China, of November 4th, 1870.

The way has opened for the return to Tungchow, and you will be pleased to learn that both our premises are now again reoccupied. . . .

Two weeks ago the U. S. Steamer *Benicia*, Captain Kimberly, arrived from Shanghai to bring us back here according to the request of Mr. Low, our minister at Peking, and the orders of Admiral Rodgers. Mrs. Mateer and I, and the three families of the Baptist Mission, Mr. Hartwell's, Mr. Crawford's, and Mrs. Holmes's, embarked, and on the 21st of October we re-entered our homes. Captain Kimberly bore a letter from the admiral to the chief officer of the town here, asking whether he is able and willing to protect us if the captain should land us. The officer cordially answered these questions in the affirmative, and promised to put his reply in writing. We were accordingly landed,



and the written reply being received, the *Benicia* sailed off. We have just received a letter from Mr. Low, in which he expresses the opinion that it will be perfectly safe for us to live here, and quoting to us in corroboration a note he had just received from the cabinet of Peking, dated October 9th, 1870. The note states that the Government had, in response to Mr. Low's letter, sent stringent orders to the governor-general of Shangtung, and had just received from that officer a report, stating that as subsequent to the Tientsin massacre hostile rumors prevailed in this province, he had immediately issued strict orders for their suppression, and especially had given charge to the mandarin of Tungchow to preserve the peace, and to put more men on the police for this purpose; and that these orders had been obeyed, and that the rumors had abated, and the missionaries and converts were living quietly in the city. This cannot be regarded as a satisfactory reply, for it was after the governor-general's orders had been received and proclaimed, and the extra police force is said to have been engaged, that the reports became alarming and our stay in the town appeared critical.

Mrs. Mateer, since her return, has

been visited by quite a number of companies of women, and she states that while most of them have been led apparently by mere curiosity to see a foreigner, yet one or two have shown a really earnest interest in the gospel. My own work still is to acquire the language, in which I make slow progress. Last evening, for the first time, I conducted a prayer-meeting in Chinese, doing nothing more, however, than guiding the native brethren. Yesterday, Mr. Yuen, our native brother from the Ping-tu district, arrived, bringing some of Mrs. Mateer's school boys from that region. He reports that the brethren there remain firm in the faith, and although they have to endure some persecution, they speak boldly of their religion, and there are quite a large number who are interested (he said as many as forty), and would like to know more of this Jesus. We give thanks to God that in so uncertain and even discouraging a condition of the country, He leads some to the Lamb of God, though the movement involve persecution for his name. As soon as Dr. Nevius returns, arrangements will be made for the instruction of these inquirers. . . .

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN FEBRUARY, 1871.

**SYNOD OF ALBANY.**—*Pby of Albany*—State st ch, Albany 74; Carlisle ch 6; Esperance ch 10; Saratoga Springs ch 125, for China 25 = 15; Galway ch 23, Sab-sch 16 = 41; Hamilton Union ch 6. *Pby of Champlain*—Port Henry ch 45; 1st ch Plattsburg 23, Sab-sch 10 = 35; 1st ch Chateaugay 3 25. *Pby of Columbia*—Greenville ch 35. *Pby of Troy*—Park ch, Troy 57 75; Cambridge ch 156 35; 1st ch Troy 250; Union Meeting, Troy chs 310; Oakwood Ave ch, Troy 12 85; 9th ch Troy 10 \$1,872 20

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**SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.**—*Pby of Mahoning*—Ellsworth ch 50; Youngstown ch 158 90; 1st ch Warren 30 45; Lowellville ch Sab-sch 10. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Bealsville ch 13 35; Powhatan ch 10, Sab-sch 6 = 16; Mt Pleasant ch 47 70; Martinsville ch 34; St Clairsville ch 125. *Pby of Steuben-*

*ville*—First ch Sab-sch New Philadelphia 30; Annapolis Sab-sch 15, Geo Cummings 2, Mrs C H Duffield 1 = 18; Cross Creek ch 17 550 40

**SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.**—*Pby of Athens*—First ch Sab-sch Middleport 17 80. *Pby of Columbus*—First ch Columbus 45; New Holland ch 14; 1st ch Circleville 32 71. *Pby of Marion*—Liberty ch 10; Mt Gilead Sab-sch, for Tungchow 8 43. *Pby of Wooster*—Dalton Sab-sch, to ed boy in China 45; East Hopewell ch 78, Sab-sch 8, for Canton sch = 86; Markville ch 24 75; Perryville ch 50; Clearfork ch 8; Jeromeville ch 39; Shelby ch 23 17; Congress ch 29 97; Wayne ch 23, Sab-sch 43 25 = 66 25; Jackson ch, J J Johnson Memorial 10; Fredericksburg ch 150; Wooster Sab-sch, for Boys' sch at Nyan Pin, China 82. *Pby of Zanesville*—Pataskala ch 13; 1st ch Jersey 15; Individual Contrib 30 = 45; Fredertown ch 33 50; Mt Zion ch 20 60; Brownsville ch Sab-sch 38; Granville ch 72 52 964 70

**SYNOD OF ERIE.**—*Pby of Allegheny*—Centreville Sab-sch 25; North ch, Allegheny 1,230 91; Manchester ch 66, Sab-sch 22 = 88; Highland ch 25 71; Central ch, Allegheny 61 18; Emsworth ch 12 86. *Pby of Butler*—Martinsburg ch 15 45; North Salem ch 21; Centre ch 39 25, Sab-sch, for Tungchow 11 83 = 51 13; Concord ch 20; North Butler ch 5; Mt Nebo ch 10 85; Butler ch 93 41, Mrs R B Boyd 2, Sab-sch 121 64 = 217 05; Sunbury ch, Miss Dewar's Infant Class 5 25; Scrub Grass ch 70; Union Oil Wells ch 32. *Pby of Clarion*—Callensburg ch 34; Concord ch 16; New Rehoboth ch 7 45; Perry ch 15; Oak Grove ch 5. *Pby of Erie*—Edinboro ch, to con Jesse Lewis, Isaac Frye, Jos C Cooper, Mrs Margaret E Reeder, and Mrs Mary J Reeder *Life Members* 123 87, Sab-sch 20 = 143 87; 1st ch Pottsville 50 85; Corry ch 26 75; 2d ch Mercer 36 72; Farfield ch 15; Girard ch 52; Westminster ch, Erie 23 11. *Pby of Kittanning*—First ch Sab-sch Apollo 10; 1st ch Kittanning 4; Rayne ch 9 60;

Worthington ch 23; Glade Run ch 12; Concord ch 40; Mahoning ch 57 11; Ebenezer ch 42 59, Sab-sch 10 01 = 52 60; Union ch 20 14; Rural Valley ch 33; Elderton ch 19; Sab-sch 3 = 22. *Phy of Shenango*—Mt Pleasant ch 40; 1st ch New Castle 80 2,750 59

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Phy of Cayuga*—Calvary ch, Auburn 4 30. *Phy of Chemung*—Waverly ch, to con Rev J B Beaumont *Life Member* 30; 2d ch Elmira 3 3. *Phy of Geneva*—First ch Geneva 38 85. *Phy of Lyons*—Newark ch, to con Rev A C Sewall *Life Member* 91 31 467 46

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Phy of Carlisle*—Danphin ch 24, Junior Foreign Miss'y Box 37 22 = 61 22; Green Castle ch 60; Mechanicsburg Sab-sch, for Tungehow 36 48; 1st ch Harrisburg, A K Fahnestock 10; 2d ch Carlisle 258 77; Great Conewago ch 9 50; L'r Marsh Creek ch 19 50; 1st ch Mercersburg 84 31. Sab-sch 20 10 = 104 41. *Phy of Huntingdon*—Schellburg ch 6; Williamsburg ch 5; Middle Tuscorora ch 12; Waynesburg ch 55 15; Newton Hamilton ch 10; Sinking Valley ch 104 15; Shade Gap ch 30 70; West Kishacoquillas ch 100; 2d ch Altoona 100; Peru ch 14 65; Spruce Creek ch 235 60, Colerain Forge Sab-sch 30 13, Rock Spring Sab-sch 14 = 279 82; Fruit Hill ch 9, Sab-sch 15 = 24; Moshannon ch 2 53. *Phy of Northumberland*—First ch New Berlin 17 20; Grove ch, Danville 5; Newberry ch, to con Rev J C Caldwell *Life Member* 60 25. Sab-sch 25 = 85 25; Lewisburg ch 96; Great Island ch 48. *Phy of Wellsboro*—Ulysses ch 6 56 1,606 89

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Phy of Bloomington*—Piper City ch 12; Normal Sab-sch 3 17; Reading ch 5; Philo ch 16 50; Tolono ch 32; Homer ch 18 50. *Phy of Peoria*—Second ch Peoria 83 20; Yates City ch 23 70; Lacon Sab-sch 5; Knoxville ch, Main st 40 52. Sab-sch 24 50 = 65 02. *Phy of Schuyler*—Ebenezer ch, Little Jennie McQuestian 2 50; Brooklyn ch 4; Huntsville ch 2; Westminster ch 36; Augusta ch 26 35; 1st ch Quincy 116; Macomb ch 44; Prairie City ch 5, Sab-sch 1 = 9. *Phy of Springfield*—North Sangamon ch 35 50, Sab-sch 20 = 55 50; Providence ch, proceeds of Miss'y pig 15; 1st Portuguese ch, Springfield 33 24; Virginia ch 15 623 38

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Phy of Chicago*—Fullerton Ave ch 40. *Phy of Freeport*—Galena Ger ch 12; Middle Creek ch 22 69, Sab-sch 10 31 = 33; Galena South ch 86 04; Harvard ch 7, Sab-sch 6 = 13; Westminster ch, Rockford 63 80; Marengo ch 20; Rock Run ch 5 50. *Phy of Ottawa*—Farm Ridge Sab-sch, Flora and Bertie 45 cts; Mendota ch 26; 1st ch Morris 24 70. *Phy of Rock River*—First ch Princeton 93 02, Sab-sch 5 55 = 103 57; Edwards ch 5; Geneseo ch 7; North Henderson ch 31 70; O-co ch 6 70; Hamlet ch 16 05; 1st ch Aledo 12; Malden ch 7; Rock Island 36 20; Sterling ch 186. Sab-sch 12, Horace and Susie Diller 2 = 200; Millersburg ch 20 771 71

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Phy of Alton*—Belle-ville ch 8 75; Chester ch, a widow for Bogota 20; Bethel ch 17 40. *Phy of Cairo*—Olney ch 8. Sab-sch 6 25 = 14 25; Enfield ch 3 90; Sharon ch 3 75; Carmi ch 11 25, Sab-sch 3 20 = 14 45; Golconda ch 2; Harrisburg ch 1 85; Equality ch 2 45; Odin ch 7 63; Union ch 5 10; Richmond ch 37. *Phy of Mattoon*—Danville ch 55 95; Charlestown ch 15 2 9 48

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Phy of Crawfordsville*—Second ch Lafayette 19; Waveland ch 23 10; Frankfort ch 26; Sugar Creek ch 21 65; Kirkland ch 45; Rev Jos Platt 50. *Phy of Fort Wayne*—Third ch Fort Wayne 8 56; Warsaw Sab-sch, for India 4 85. *Phy of Muncie*—Kokomo Sab-sch 2 25 160 41

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Phy of Indianapolis*—Acton Sab-sch 10; Donaldson ch 4 10; Carpentersville ch 5, Sab-sch 5 = 10; Greencastle ch 40 87, Sab-sch 10 90 = 51 77. *Phy of New Albany*—Rehoboth ch 7; Oak Grove ch 4 10; Bethel ch 4; Jackson Co Ger ch 6 50. *Phy of Vincennes*—First ch Terre Haute 8; Washington ch 18; Princeton ch 14 50; 2d ch Vincennes 26 50 164 47

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Phy of Cedar Rapids*—

First ch Vinton 31 75; Mt Vernon ch 15; Shellsburg ch 3 10; Andrew and Farmer's Creek chs 5. *Phy of Dubuque*—First ch Manchester 3 31; Jessup ch 7. *Phy of Waterloo*—Salem ch 25; Waverly ch 2; Marshalltown ch 18 110 56

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Phy of Des Moines*—Indianola ch 7 60; Promise ch 3 15; Newton Sab-sch 10; 1st ch Winterset 20 65. *Phy of Iowa*—Morning Sun ch 42 55; 1st ch Mt Pleasant 104 20, Sab-sch 50 = 154 20; Ger ch Mt Pleasant 16 43. *Phy of Iowa City*—Blue Grass ch 4; Columbus City ch 6. *Phy of Missouri River*—Omaha Mission ch 20; Plattsmouth ch 17 90; 1st ch Council Bluffs 70 35; 1st ch Nebraska City 20; Bedford ch 5 25 408 28

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Phy of Ebenezer*—Newport Columbia st ch, Infant Class 6; 2d ch Lexington 791 25, Sab-sch 30 = 821 35; Flemingsburg ch 12 15, Sab-sch 18 85. Rev Jas P Hendrick and wife 25 = 56. *Phy of Louisville*—College st ch 150, Rev Dr Humphrey 20 = 170 1,053 35

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Phy of Brooklyn*—Genevan ch 24; 1st ch Reinsen st 48 74; Central ch 100; Franklin Ave ch 22 25; 1st ch Edgewater, S 17 18; South Third st ch, Williamsburg 38 83; Lafayette Ave ch, Cumberland st Sab-sch, to sup native preacher in Syria 25; 2d ch Brooklyn 285 82; 1st ch Brooklyn (Dr Seaver's) 32. *Phy of Long Island*—Setanket ch 5. *Phy of Nassau*—Astoria ch 25 24, Sab-sch 35 = 60 24; 1st ch Huntington 300 949 06

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Phy of Detroit*—Wyandotte ch 6; Fort st ch, Detroit 285 26, Eighth Ward Miss'y sch 10 = 295 26; 1st ch Detroit 100; Pontiac ch 7 78. *Phy of Kalamazoo*—First ch Kalamazoo 300. *Phy of Lansing*—First ch Mason, for Tungehow 10. *Phy of Monroe*—First ch Jonesville 41. *Phy of Saginaw*—First ch Vassar 17 50; 1st ch Bay City 100 830 54

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Phy of Mankato*—First ch Blue Earth City 12. *Phy of St Paul*—Westminster ch, Minneapolis 128 11, Sab-sch 19 72 = 147 83; Forest ch 3 75; Dundas ch 17 25; Farmington ch 2; Oak Grove ch 30; Central ch, St Paul 104 42 Sab-sch 50 = 154 42. *Phy of Winona*—Caledonia ch 4, Sab-sch 6 = 10; Fremont ch 3 350 25

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Phy of Osage*—First ch Lexington 4; Pleasant Hill ch 13. *Phy of Palmyra*—Kirkville ch 15, Sab-sch 10 = 25; Palmyra ch 10; Welsh ch, Beaver 6. *Phy of St Louis*—Ger Bethel Sab-sch 15; 1st ch St Louis 200; Washington Sab-sch 4; Bethlehem ch 3 85 280 85

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Phy of Elizabeth*—Clinton ch 34 71; Westfield ch 102 67, Sab-sch 131 64 = 234 31; Liberty Corner ch 60; 1st ch Plainfield 91; Elizabethport ch 51, Sab-sch 12 = 63; 1st ch Rahway 100, A Friend 100, Sab-sch 13 51 = 213 51. *Phy of Jersey City*—Teaneck Sab-sch, for Rev S Jessup's Safeta children 24. *Phy of Monmouth*—Red Bank ch 50 45; Toms River ch 9; Plumsted ch 3; New Egypt Sab-sch 3; Tennent ch 100. *Phy of Morris and Orange*—Chatham Village ch 155; 1st ch Morristown Sab-sch, to sup children at Shanghai 35; Succasunna ch Miss'y Soc'y 25; German Valley ch, to con Isaac Roelofson and Anthony M Trummer *Life Members* 79 8; South St ch, Morristown, Mrs Wm L King, Memorial, for Girls sch at Beirut 50; Boonton ch 33. *Phy of Newark*—First ch Woodside 8 70; Wickliffe ch 358; Roseville ch 25 41; 1st Ger ch, Newark 20; Westminster ch, Bloomfield 156; South Park ch, Newark 356 18, Sab-sch 52 42 = 408 60. *Phy of New Brunswick*—Frenchtown ch 100; Witherspoon st ch Sab-sch Memorial 40; 1st ch New Brunswick 137; Kirkpatrick Memorial ch 27 50; 1st ch Anwell 25; 2d ch New Brunswick 32; Queenstown Sab-sch 2; Lawrenceville Central Sab-sch, for Benita 50. *Phy of Newton*—Phillipsburg ch 20; Newton ch 141 34; Harmony ch 58 56. *Phy of West Jersey*—Fislerville ch 53 33; 2d ch Bridgeton, to con Rev Heber H Beadle *Honorary Director* 116 12; Salem ch 260, Sab-sch, for Bohemia 186 = 446; Blackwoodtown ch 155; Hammonton ch 27, Sab-sch 20 05 = 47 05 3,731 39



**SYNOD OF NEW YORK.**—*Pby of Boston*—Bedford ch, N H 43 25. *Pby of Hudson*—First ch Washington 35 50; Central ch Haverstraw, to sup Miss Thompson 30. *Pby of New York*—Madison Square ch, a member 300. Louisa Wilson 50 = 350; 1st ch New York 412 34; Earnest Workers for Shanghai sch 1000, Building 350 = 1762 34; Murray Hill ch 223 19, for Gaboon 50 = 273 19; Brick ch Chapel 12 75; Washington Heights ch 154 72; University Place ch 37 41; Fourth Ave ch 20 21; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth st ch, Dr Agnew 50; Brick ch 61 20. *Pby of North River*—First ch Poughkeepsie 20 94; Calvary ch, Newburg 43 40. *Pby of Westchester*—Red Mills ch 20, Sab-sch 22 50 = 42 50; Patterson ch 16 55; Bedford ch 66; South Salem ch Ladies' Benv't Soc'y, to con Mrs Sidney R Lockwood *Life Member* 52; 1st ch Peekskill 98 62, Sab-sch 50 = 148 62

3,220 58

**SYNOD OF PACIFIC.**—*Pby of Benicia*—Healdsburg ch 5 50. *Pby of Oregon*—Portland ch 93 80. *Pby of San Francisco*—First ch San Francisco 42 53, M 7 = 49 50; Two Rock ch 12 50; Stockton ch 9 70; Valejo ch 19. Chinese sch 14 15; XX X 100

304 15

**SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.**—*Pby of Chester*—Upper West Nottingham ch 7 10; East Whiteland ch 14 90; Reeseville ch 5; 1st ch Sab-sch Chester 20; Forks of Brandywine ch 41. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Newton ch 5, Sab-sch 2 75 = 7 75; Wysox Sab-sch 20; Warren ch 80; Ger ch Scranton 4; Gibson ch 8; Rushville ch 2; Stevensville ch 2; Canton ch 35; Plymouth ch 19; Warrenham ch 5; Montrose ch 11 50; Towanda ch 191 89, Sab-sch 51 = 241 89; Providence ch 20. *Pby of Lehigh*—Brainerd ch Sab-sch, Easton 95 66; Tamaqua ch 20; Stroudsburg ch 45; Ch of the Mountain 13 60, Sab-sch 1 40 = 15; Allentownship ch 20. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Second ch Philadelphia, a member 150; 9th ch Philadelphia 30. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Kensington ch 130, Sab-sch 22 = 152; North ch, Philadelphia, to con Rev B L Agnew *Honorary Director*, and Mrs Rev B L Agnew *Life Member* 158, Sab-sch scholars, for heathen 72 cts = 158 72. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Market Square ch 24; Hermon ch, Frankfort 47; Solebury ch 11; Conshohocken ch 16, Sab-sch 15, Spring Hill Sab-sch 4 30 = 35 30. *Pby of Westminster*—Lancaster ch 190 1,537 82

**SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.**—*Pby of Blairsville*—Ebensburg ch 16; Armagh ch 20; Centreville ch 10; Unity ch 66; Blairsville ch 223 55, C Bell 500, Sab-sch 151 28 = 874 83; Murraysville ch 17 10; Pleasant Grove ch 25; Cross Roads ch 41 03; Congruity ch 36 13; Beulah ch 130, Sab-sch 14 = 144. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Miller's Run ch 21; Mansfield ch 18; Montours ch 41 12; Oakdale ch Sab-sch 82 cts; 1st ch Minersville 25 35; 2d ch Pittsburgh, Mrs B 10, a lady in Allegheny 25, for Jewish Missions 15 = 50; 1st ch Pittsburgh 300; Canonsburg ch 20. *Pby of Redstone*—Mt Pleasant ch 34; Pleasant Unity ch 26 12, Rev J McMillen and family, to sup David McMillen at Saharanpur 25 = 51 12; McKeesport ch 28 04; Laurel Hill ch 50 35; New Providence ch Sab-sch 20; Greensboro' ch 3 50, Sab-sch 8 = 11 50. *Pby of Washington*—Lower Buffalo ch 6 70; Mt Prospect ch 5 75; West Liberty ch 56, Sab-sch 9 53 = 65 53; 1st ch Wheeling 26; Forks of Wheeling ch 264 75, Sab-sch Rodney's Point 5 25 = 270; Pigeon Creek Sab-sch 16 24, New Year's gift 9 76 = 26; Holliday's Cove ch 17; East Buffalo ch 18 05; 1st ch Washington 53 36; Upper Buffalo ch 60; Upper Ten Mile ch 38. *Pby of West Virginia*—Fairmount ch 22; Grafton ch 5; Newburg ch 10

2,541 78

**SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.**—*Pby of Holston*—Elizabethtown ch 6 10; Greenville and Tusculum Sab-schs 5; Oakland Sab-sch 4 25. *Pby of New Orleans*—First Ger ch, N O 10. *Pby of Union*—New Market ch 10; Knoxville ch 130 25 165 60

**SYNOD OF TOLEDO.**—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Marsilles ch 6; 1st ch Bellefontaine 36 75; Huntsville ch 8 20; Bucyrus ch, John Hughes and Robert Maurice Shierard 5 each, Memorial for Gaboon = 10. 1st ch Urbana 54 35. *Pby of Huron*—Fremont ch, class of little girls for heathen child 10. *Pby of Lima*—Truro ch 11 60;

Rockport ch 4 15; Central ch, Liam 10; Findlay ch 5 50; West Union ch 5 10. *Pby of Maumee*—Bryan ch 17 30; 1st ch West Unity 8; Union ch 11; Hicksville ch 10; Bowling Green ch 11 14; Delta ch 4; 1st ch Toledo 14 50

237 59

**SYNOD OF UTICA.**—*Pby of Binghamton*—First Cong'l ch Coventryville 15, Bequest of Dea Ithuel Blake, dec'd 15 = 30; Masonville ch 5. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Hammond ch 10, Mrs Wm Brodie 5, to con Mrs Robert Rodger *Life Member* 30, Jas Rodger 15, Agnes Fairbairn 5 = 65. *Pby of Otsego*—Cherry Valley ch 123. *Pby of Syracuse*—Park ch, Syracuse Missy's Soc'y for Miss, in Mexico 150. *Pby of Utica*—First ch Little Falls 161 65; Vernon Centre ch 12 52

547 17

**SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.**—*Pby of Buffalo*—West Aurora ch 10; Calvary ch, Buffalo 155 85. *Pby of Genesee*—Batavia ch, to con Aug't Cowdin *Honorary Director* 100 05; Attica ch 40 65. *Pby of Niagara*—First ch Medina 15 75. *Pby of Rochester*—Sweden ch 18 35; Lima ch 20; 3d ch Rochester 173 91, Sab-sch 74 = 247 91

608 56

**SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.**—*Pby of Lake Superior*—Coshkosh Miss ch 3 50; Superior ch 2 35. *Pby of Milwaukee*—First ch Janesville 68 62; 1st ch Sab-sch Beloit 3 86; Brodhead ch 4 50; Delafield ch 5 75, Sab-sch 4 25 = 10. *Pby of Winnebago*—Oxford ch 5; Stockbridge Indian ch 3. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Lodi ch 2 26; Ger ch Platteville 6 20; Richland Centre ch 4; Richland City ch 4; Fancy Creek ch 4 93, Sab-sch 2 07 = 7

124 29

Total receipts from churches, \$28,497 49

**LEGACIES.**—Legacy of D A Sayre, Lexington, Ky 500; Estate of Miss Electa Burbank, dec'd, Palmyra, N Y, to con Edw W Burbank, *Life Director* 100; Estate of David Lyles, Pa 7 52; Estate of Miss Anna Allan, dec'd, Shelby Co, Ky 106 15; Legacy of Edward Avery, dec'd 100; Legacy of Mrs Mary A Packard, dec'd, Medina Co, Ohio 465 43; Bequest of Rev Elisha P Swift, D.D., Allegheny, Pa 200

1,479 10

**SYNOD OF REF PRESS CHURCH.**—Fifth Ref Presb ch, Philadelphia, Sab-sch, to sup four children at Saharanpur

119 00

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—Mr James McMullen, Brush Valley, Pa 1; Mary H Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa 5; Mrs P G McJunkin, New Texas, Pa, Memorial 3; "Orphan," gold dollar for Lodianna 1; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; Mrs J Morrison, gold 5 50; Aunt Jane, Memorial 5; A Friend, New Year's Offering 5; Jane M Libbey, Memorial for Gaboon 10; A Family Offering 100; Mrs Geo W Toland, Germantown, Pa, to con Rev Edward P Cowan *Honorary Director*, Memorial 100; Mrs M W Paxton, Princeton, Ind 10; R A C 8; Gen'l Loomis 5; Wm Shear, Augusta, Ga 20; Mrs C C and children, Girard, Pa 12; A Friend 5; J K W and family, Memorial for China 25; Mrs F Buck 10; Little Addie Buck 1 20; Portsmouth, Neb, Willie Condit's Missionary hen 5; Mrs M H Bronson, Monroetown, Pa 5; Thank-Offering for Margie's recovery 10; Little Frankie's Money, of which 100 is for Chieng-mai 151 30; Amelia A McFadden for Kolapoor 2; A G Wallace 2; Dr J W Byers 5; Memorial for Debt 5; Mrs. Mary H Green, Mott Haven 5; John Porter 10; Isabella McQueen, for Gaboon Training sch 1; Tallahassee Creek Mission 136 55; P F Sutphen, New Brunswick, for Gaboon Mission 2 75; Miss Mattie Sheldon 1; Miss P L Requa, for France 1; Rev T S Wynkoop, Allahabad, India 165; Rel Con Society Princeton Seminary 134; An Old Lady, for Tungchow 70 cts; Rev W J McCord 2; Miss Georgine V Gould 50; Judge O M Dorman 50

1,088 00

Total Receipts in February, 1871, \$31,183 59

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870, \$162,733 38

WM. RANKIN, *Treasurer*,  
23 Centre Street, New York.

**LETTERS** relating to the Missions, or other operations of the Board, may be addressed to the Rev. JOHN C. LOWRIE, or Rev. DAVID IRVING, Secretaries, Mission House, 23 Centre street, New York.



## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*.

Manuscripts, and communications concerning matter offered for publication, to the Rev. JOHN W. DULLES, *Editorial Secretary*.

Correspondence of Colporteurs, remittances of money, and donations, to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage and Treasurer.

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Subscriptions to *The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to Mr. PETER WALKER.

### OUR ANNUAL COLLECTION.

According to the arrangements made in former years by the General Assembly of one Branch of our Church, the *First Sabbath in May* was the time set apart for an annual collection in all the churches to the Colportage and Distribution Fund—now called the Missionary Fund—of the Board of Publication. The Assembly of the other Branch had fixed upon no particular day. As May is now close at hand, we earnestly ask that pastors and stated supplies will make their arrangements to present this cause to the people and urge them to make their contributions to the Fund.

Let it be remembered that these contributions go *exclusively* towards sustaining the *missionary* work of the Board. Its publishing and book-selling department sustains itself wholly on the profits of its sales. The collections from the churches are used only for the expenses of the Colportage work, and for making gratuitous distributions to needy Sabbath-schools, to mission churches, to pastors, home missionaries, foreign missionaries, &c., &c.; for gratuitous distribution. During the past twenty years the Board has in these ways, by the help of this Fund, distributed between two and three millions of religious volumes, and over thirty millions of pages of tracts in every portion of our wide land and in other lands. No mind can calculate or fully comprehend the amount of good accomplished by these seeds of truth, thus thrown broadcast upon the waters. The Great Day alone can reveal it all.

The demands upon the Board's Missionary Fund have of late been unusually great. The Presbyteries are taking hold with a new zeal upon the Colportage work, and are asking for the appointment of colporteurs in their respective bounds. Churches, missionaries, and Sabbath-schools from every part of our wide land are bringing their needs to the Board and asking to have them supplied. And while the demands are increasing, the contributions received have not increased. On the contrary, they have, whatever may have been the cause, during the past few months fallen short of those for the same months of last year. The Fund is steadily running lower and lower, and unless the Church generally will come up to its aid with liberal

contributions, this important branch of the Church's beneficent work will soon be hindered for want of means to carry it forward.

Let every church be heard from soon after the First Sabbath of May. Collections should be remitted to WINTHROP SARGENT, ESQ., Treasurer, No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

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#### MISSIONARY WORK OF THE BOARD.

At the February meeting of the Board of Publication its Missionary Committee reported that during that month 88 grants of books and tracts had been made to 3 foreign countries and to 22 of our States and Territories. These were as follows:—to West Africa (Gaboon Mission), Mexico, Northern India, Choctaw Indians, Nevada, Colorado, Maryland, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Missouri, Michigan, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Virginia, Tennessee, Iowa, South Carolina, Illinois, Kansas, Alabama, Massachusetts, and California. The value of these grants for this one month was very nearly \$2000.

Of these 88 grants there were made—for poor or mission Sabbath-schools, 39; for the Freedmen, 8; for mission or needy churches, 11; for missionary boxes, 5; to pastors, missionaries, and others for gratuitous distribution in their vicinities, 20; miscellaneous, 5.

The Committee had also commissioned within the month *eight additional colporteurs* for six States, viz: Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Missouri.

The various branches of this missionary work of the Board are constantly expanding, and we trust it is destined to become under the new arrangements of the Board more and more a power for good in our Church and in the land.

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#### TO OUR PRESBYTERIES.

At its sessions in Philadelphia in May, 1870, the General Assembly adopted the following resolution:

"Each Presbytery is directed to appoint one or more of its members a Presbyterial Publication Committee; which Committee shall, in that Presbytery, supervise the work of securing an annual collection for this Board from each of its churches; shall search out and recommend to the Board suitable persons to act as colporteurs; shall correspond with the Board in reference to its work in that Presbytery, and shall do whatever else may tend to promote the work and interests of the Board, and to secure a thorough distribution of the Board's publications within and throughout the bounds of the Presbytery." See *Minutes*, page 115.

Most of the newly-organized Presbyteries obeyed this direction and appointed each at their fall meetings a Presbyterial Publication Committee. To every Committee so appointed, the Corresponding Secretary has sent a communication explaining the colportage work and plans of the Board, and a considerable number of Presbyteries already have presbyterial colporteurs

at work according to these arrangements, which, in their newly modified form, are received everywhere with great favor.

Some Presbyteries, however, have failed as yet to appoint any such Committee, and the work is obstructed in their bounds for the want of such action. As the spring meetings of the Presbyteries are now close at hand, we earnestly appeal to all of them who have not attended to this matter, to do so at that time. We venture the suggestion that where Committees are composed of two ministers and one elder, they have usually worked to better advantage than where they were composed of more or fewer members.

Where such Committees may be appointed at the approaching meetings, the clerks are respectfully requested to inform the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Publication, giving the names and post-office addresses of all Committee-men, (especially ruling elders,) so that he may without delay or difficulty communicate with them.

W. E. SCHENCK, *Cor. Sec.*

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#### SPANISH BOOKS AND TRACTS FOR MEXICO.

In the March number of the "*Monthly Record*," we spoke of the work of God as going forward in Mexico and New Mexico, and of the importance of distributing good books and tracts in the Spanish language among the people of those regions just at this time. These paragraphs attracted the attention and moved the heart of a lady, who is a member of the Princeton Church of West Philadelphia, who called upon the Corresponding Secretary and handed him fifty dollars for this use. She will not allow her name to be mentioned, but it is known to the blessed Master, and she will find her reward on high. May the Holy Spirit accompany the pages sent by means of this benefaction, and use them to bring about the salvation of many souls now in darkness.

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#### THEODORE.

"Theodosia Ernest; or, the Heroine of Faith," is the title of a work in two volumes which has attained great popularity among our Baptist brethren. It is thought to be conclusive on the question of immersion as the only mode of baptism, and has been most industriously circulated for the confirming of true believers, and the conversion of those outside of the only true visible Church.

The story of Theodosia is after this fashion:

Miss Theodosia Ernest was a Presbyterian young lady, "beautiful and remarkably intelligent," who had been consecrated to God in baptism by a pious mother, and who, through his covenant mercies, had experienced a change of heart. She was a devotedly pious member of the Church, and quite happy, till, in an evil hour, she chanced to go "down to the river to see a lady baptized by a Baptist minister." The sight struck consternation to her soul. As by intuition she decided "if that was baptism which I witnessed at the river, I have never been baptized," and said to her "awe-struck" mother, who attempted a feeble remonstrance:

"I am sure you would not have me on any account neglect or refuse to



obey my Saviour. If he commands me to be baptized, and the command has never been obeyed, *I shall be obliged to do it.*"

At this her mother wept, but was effectually silenced.

A few hours later, Mr. Percy, the young lady's lover came in. He was a Presbyterian lawyer, respectable and moral, but with no piety, and "thought he had been baptized because people told him so."

He, too, had seen the baptism of the lady at the river, and then and there Theodosia had told him of her new views. He was disposed to laugh at them, but, finding her persistent, consented to investigate the subject of baptism with her. That very evening the two began to search for testimony as to the mode of Scripture Baptism.

From the very first Theodosia pronounces it to be dipping or immersion, she is at a loss to decide which. Of course she disturbs all Mr. Percy's previous views. Mr. Johnson, the minister, rushes in to the rescue of Presbyterianism. But, alas! through his slight knowledge and weak intellect he only makes matters worse.

A Baptist schoolmaster, Mr. Courtney, is then called in. He knows much, and what he does not know he invents; which does just as well for his audience, who are all lamentably ignorant of historical facts. By him, Theodosia is thoroughly convinced that *immersion is the only true baptism*, also that "baptize" is a specific term meaning only to dip. A college professor next appeared upon the scene—Uncle Jones. He has a few vague ideas, but no certain knowledge of anything. Being in this negative state, how can he resist the all-powerful Mr. Courtney? All being converted to the immersionist doctrine, Miss Theodosia sets the noble example of going into the water. We, who know these immersionists to be a wealthy, prosperous, and comfortably large sect, are surprised to learn that they are "poor, despised and persecuted," and in order to join them one must undergo a species of martyrdom. From this Miss Theodosia shrinks not. But all is well that ends well. Her lover also is immersed and enters the Baptist ministry, with Theodosia by his side as Mrs. Percy.

It seems good to the Presbyterian Board of Publication to issue a sequel to "Theodosia," the story being incomplete in some points, and it is hoped that THEODORE may have as wide an introduction to Baptist families as "Theodosia" has had. They will find old friends upon its pages. Theodosia and Mr. Percy again appear, with their children and friends, and continue their investigations of the words Bapto and Baptizo, and their search of the Scriptures. We can promise them much instruction, conveyed in a most agreeable style, and leading to the happiest results. *Truth* is attained and faith confirmed by the study of God's word. It makes a handsome 12mo volume of 374 pages, with illustrations.

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Send for a sample, if you have not seen them.

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A NEW START GIVEN.

One of our energetic Western men, who has been laboring from his central post in Illinois in the regions round about, made an earnest request for aid from the Board of Publication. A package of books and tracts was sent to him, including Hymn Books. His reply shows how valuable is the aid thus rendered by our press. He says:

You can have but little idea of the great benefit you have conferred upon us. If you ever worshipped in a congregation when the only Hymn Books present were the minister's and one or two others at most, and heard the minister *line* the hymns, and then passed from that state of affairs to see two dozen Hymn Books in the hands of the congregation, you can look this way.

We *sing* now, and such singing would not disgrace an Eastern congregation. The people could hardly contain themselves when I presented the books.

How beautiful, how appropriate, were the other books in the package! Many of them highly useful to the pastor himself, and then the little books for the children of my parish. What an influence they are exerting among the children of the Sabbath-school. Receive my thanks, and the thanks of the people for your great kindness. We trust to profit by the donation. It has had the tendency to start us anew in the great work before us. The





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It is difficult for those of us, accustomed to worship God in comfortable sanctuaries, to appreciate the difficulties and discouragements under which very many of our Christian brethren labor who are not thus highly favored; nor can we conceive their painful anxiety and solicitude as to the result when they, in their poverty, undertake to build the Lord's house. Let me reiterate some of their utterances on this subject. A good brother in Kansas, who after years of painful toil, had organized two churches, applied to our Board for aid, which it was thought the state of our funds would not admit of our granting. On being informed of this, like the importunate widow, he expostulates thus: "Dear Brother, we can not afford to let the Board off. We are too needy. Our cry still is 'come over and help us.' O! do come. A thousand are in our town or near it, who have no place of worship—nothing to take the place of the churches they left behind them. Where their humble dwellings now stand, the Indians dwelt but yesterday. On these wide spread prairies, we have not even the shelter of a grove to screen us from the summer's sun or winter's blast. On next Sabbath fifteen more will join our little church. They are the *Lord's* people and their cry is 'give us a place in which we and our children may worship God.' Since our application was sent to you, we have reduced our plan of building to save expense. Mr. Joy has given us a lot worth \$250, and the R.R. company have largely reduced the freight on our lumber, which must be brought from Chicago. *We have done all we can ourselves.* The walls are up, the roof on, the floor laid and the doors hung; but without plastering and pews, we can not occupy it this winter. With the addition of four or five hundred dollars we can finish it—the first Presbyterian Church in all Crawford County, the first in the Cherokee neutral lands. This amount given *now*, will be worth more to us than double the amount next summer. We can't wait until next summer. Golden opportunities for doing good will have passed, and we shall be a *discouraged*—if not a *scattered* flock. *O! we can't wait.* I have labored hard and prayed for this church and now, with tearful eyes, I write again, to implore you not to reject our suit. I am but the voice of the whole community, the spokesman for hundreds whose hearts were made glad by the hope of soon seeing this house completed. I can not disappoint them. I have given \$100, which is one-fifth of my year's salary, and would give more if I had it."

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### MEMORIAL OFFERINGS.

In addition to the \$1,000 contributed by the Rev. Dr. Beatty and the liberal thank-offering of \$3,000 by the Brick Church, New York City, there have been gifts from several churches and individuals. The First Church, Carlisle, Pa.; the churches of Ligonier and Pleasant Grove, Pa.; the Westminster Church, Elizabeth, N. J., have remembered this cause. The South Church, Morristown, N. J., contributes \$270. The First Church, Bridge-ton, N. J., Rev. C. R. Gregory, pastor, has sent in \$500; the Central Church, Haverstraw, N. Y., Rev. A. S. Freeman, pastor, are endeavoring to raise the same amount, and the church at Montrose, Pa., took up a liberal collection on a stormy day, and through the energy of the pastor, Rev. J. G. Miller, will increase the sum.

The Memorial Committee in New York have recently forwarded \$891.25, received from various sources.

The widow of a distinguished minister of our Church, who living and dying proved his warm interest in the prosperity of this Fund, brought a generous offering, expressing the wish that it were vastly larger. A gentleman from beyond the Mississippi writes, enclosing his "mite towards the Endowment Fund:" "It seems to me this Fund ought to be more urgently pressed, through the papers and pulpits, upon the people, who are, I am afraid, losing sight of the more worthy objects, and devoting them to the lesser."

The widow of a home missionary says: "Please accept the enclosed \$5, as my thank-offering to the Memorial Fund to be appropriated to the Widow's and Orphan's Fund. Oh! I wish it were in my power to give thousands to this blessed object. It is the means the Lord has provided for the support of my smitten flock, and were it not for this my *household would be scattered*. May God's richest blessing rest on the cause for which you labor is the daily prayer of your bereaved friend."

A member of the Church of the Covenant, New York, sends fifty dollars; a worthy lady from the same city gives one hundred dollars; and an ex-editor of the *New York Observer* remits one hundred dollars, from the place of his sojourn in Europe. A venerable man from Kentucky adds two hundred dollars, and from Poughkeepsie, New York, Henry L. Young, Esq., has just forwarded \$250 for the Memorial Fund. From various quarters of the land, aged men and women, disabled ministers and widows, and the children too, have given proof of their high estimate of the claims of this cause, which lies near to the heart of the Great Head of the Church.



## CHURCH OF SCRANTON, PA.

This church, now under the pastoral care of the Rev. S. C. Logan, D.D., contributed last year twelve hundred dollars for the support of their former pastor, who was by a sudden stroke laid aside from active service. This year that church has repeated the generous act by raising one thousand dollars for the same object. This is the more praiseworthy on the part of that people, because the church has greatly changed since the late pastor removed. They do things in a noble way and with large hearts at Scranton, and it is not easy to say which is worthy of the highest honor, the present pastor or his flock. "*Like people, like priest.*"

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Colchester, Louisa M Lurtz (Memorial Fund)			Schaghticoke Pres ch	12 00
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## THE SITUATION.

The success of our work is cheering—but not so its financial condition. After special and continued effort to secure funds sufficient to carry on a reduced current work, and liquidate the heavy indebtedness with which it was obliged to enter upon the year, unless the churches will yet come up much more fully to its help, the Committee will be obliged to close the year not only without a needed balance on hand, but *heavily indebted still*.

DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN JANUARY, 1871—*Concluded*.

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Cochranon ch, Presby of Erie	6 00	ch 4 50; Knox Plantation sch 6 45; Ebenezer	
Milledgeville ch, Presby of Erie	4 00	ch 9 65	66 20
New Centre ch, Presby of Yadkin	5 45	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte sch 12 57; Concord	
Cameron ch, Presby of Yadkin	1 18	sch 1 60	14 17
Logan ch, Presby of Yadkin	60	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —New Market sch 10 21; Green-	
Phelps, Dodge & Co, N Y, for Scotia Seminary	30 00	vill sch 9 00; Strawberry Plains sch 11 30 81	
Rev A C Elder, Black Stock, S C	20 00	<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch	9 85
Fourth Ave ch, N Y, Presby of New York	172 24	<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	12 45
Flint Michigan ch, Presby of Saginaw	45 80	<i>Pby of Union</i> —Knoxville sch 1 55; Morristown	
Wellsboro' ch, Presby of Wellsboro'	17 00	sch 9 50	11 05
Mt Gilead ch, Ohio	14 60	<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Greensboro' ch and sch 11 50;	
Third ch, Dayton, Ohio	32 74	Statesville ch and sch 292 11; Cameron ch	
Sab-sch of Third ch, Dayton, Ohio	25 00	7 08; Logan ch 4; New Centre ch 9 70; Salisbury	
Hastings ch, Minn	11 42	ch and sch 6 30; Oakland ch 2 60; Gold	
Our family in Michigan	5 00	Hill ch 2 50; Lincoln Road ch 1 10; Mocksville	
J P Coulter, Farmington, Ill, (Biddle Inst)	50 00	ch 1 50; Mt Vernon ch 1 30; Lexington ch	
New Alexandria ch, Presby of Blairsville	103 00	and sch 5 50; Mebansville sch 6 50	351 69
Ch of Savannah, Ohio	14 00	<i>No Presbyterial Connection</i> —	
North ch of Binghamton, N Y	9 55	Russell Grove, Va, sch 6; Big Oak, Va, sch 90	
First ch, Kossuth, Iowa	22 75	cts; Fredericksburg, Va, sch 8 30; Winchester,	
Westminster ch, Presby of Erie	11 50	Va, sch 9	24 20
Cross Roads ch, Presby of Washington	10 00		
First ch, Dayton, Ohio	25 00		
Cross Roads ch, Presby of Allegheny	20 80		

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*Money received and expended in the Field.*

*Pby of Atlantic*—Charleston sch 25 60; Edisto

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## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN FEBRUARY, 1871.

Ch of Marinetta, Wis	\$2 00	Nashville ch, Presby of Wooster	12 00
Pleasant Hill ch, Presby of Steubenville	3 80	Mt Vernon ch, Presby of New York	40 00
Dick's Creek ch, Ohio	6 00	First ch, Morristown, N J	52 23
First ch, Detroit, Mich	46 00	Legacy of Jno Wilson, Sr, dec'd, late of West	
Mt Tabor ch, Pa	4 00	Kishacoquillas, per Jno W Wilson, executor	
Mill Creek ch, Pa	3 00		100 00
Ebenezer ch, Presby of Kittanning	21 30	Second ch, Zanesville, Ohio	24 32
Clarksburg ch, Presby of Kittanning	11 25	Seneca Falls ch, New York	10 00
Beulah ch, Presby of Huntington	2 00	First ch, Jamestown, New York	43 00
First ch, Des Moines, Presby of Des Moines	6 50	First ch, Delphi, Indiana	10 55
First ch, Florida, Presby of Hudson	28 65	Island Creek ch, Presby of Steubenville	10 00
D W Green, Beverly, O	2 00	Freeport ch, Presby of Kittanning	7 00
Dalton ch, Presby of Wooster	27 40	First ch, Miami City, O. (Biddle Institute)	40 00
South St ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	177 16	South St ch, Morristown, N J	25 00
Statesville ch (colored) Presby of Yadkin	11 04	Gettysburg ch, Pa	12 93
Logan ch, Presby of Yadkin	3 12	Sab-sch Gettysburg ch, Pa	9 49
Marseilles ch, Presby of Bellefontaine	8 00	Member of 1st ch Pittsburgh, Pa, for Scotia	
Ligonier ch, Presby of Blairsville	13 00	Seminary, (Memorial)	30 00
Stony Creek ch, Mich	18 75	Lebanon ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	48 25
East Hopewell ch, Presby of Wooster	18 00	Sab-sch Lowville ch, Presby of Mahoning	7 00



Mrs M Robinson, Presby of Kittanning	10 00	Rossville ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	2 00
Galesburg ch, Ills	28 50	First ch Allegheny, Presby of Allegheny	109 52
Ch of Butler, Ills	24 15	Third ch, New Albany, Ind	31 00
Ch of Clarinda, Iowa	6 33	Caledonia ch, Presby of Winona	3 00
First ch, Saline, Mich	7 50	First ch Rockford, Ill	20 00
Sab-sch of ch of Pompey, N Y	10 25	Washington ch, Presby of Chillicothe	6 50
Rev A Cooper, Pompey, N Y	19 75	C S Haines, Esq, Newark, N J (Memorial)	100 00
First ch, Manchester, Iowa	1 80	C S Haines, Esq, Newark, N J, Scotia Seminary (Memorial)	50 00
Providence ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	7 50	Union ch, Presby of Kittanning	21 00
S P S, M H S, and A J S, 2 50 each	7 50	Mehoopany ch, Pa	3 00
First ch Northern Liberties, Presby of Philadelphia Central	75 00	Ch of Lake Forest, Ills	100 00
Knoxville ch, Iowa	10 05	Waynesville ch, Presby of Bloomington	5 50
Upper Tuscarora ch, Pa	12 91	Central ch of Lima, Presby of Lima	3 00
Mauch Chunk ch, Pa	91 76	Sab-sch of 1st ch Allegheny ch, Presby of Allegheny	29 57
Rushville ch, Pa	2 00	Pleasant Valley ch, Presby of Butler	8 00
Stevensville ch, Pa	2 00	Snuberry ch, Presby of Butler	13 05
Belvidere, ch, N J	31 00	Kingston ch, Presby of North River	20 00
Carmi ch, Ill	3 60	Second ch, Madison, Ind	20 00
Rev John Newton and Family, Pensacola, Florida	1 00	Richmond Falls ch, Minn	2 00
Albia ch, Presby of Des Moines	5 25	Beaver Falls ch, Minn	1 00
Third ch Albany, Presby of Albany	33 60	First ch Cazenovia, New York	35 05
Ballston Centre ch, Presby of Albany	9 05	Union ch, St Peter, Minn	19 75
Second ch Rahway, N J, Presby of Elizabeth	50 00	New Salem ch, Presby of Butler	15 70
First ch Hudson, Presby of Chippewa	10 00	Fairmount ch, N J, Presby of Morris and Orange	2 00
First ch, Fort Scott	2 72	Livermore ch, Presby of Blairsville	21 00
Florida ch, Presby of Hudson	6 00		
Rev John Pitkin and family, Milfordton, O	6 00		\$3193 56
First ch, Urbana, O	21 25		
Southampton ch, Presby of Long Island	15 17		
Westfield ch, Presby of Shenango	100 00		
Beloit ch, Presby of Mahoning	15 50		
Canal Fulton ch, Ohio	13 00		
Ch of Greenville, Ills	12 00		
Sab-sch of Greenville, Ills	4 00		
Ch of Gilman, Ills	1 50		
Avondale ch, Presby of Cincinnati	20 50		
Camden ch, Presby of Dayton	2 51		
Reading and Lockland ch, Presby of Cincinnati	14 00		
Glendale ch, Presby of Cincinnati	44 00		
Fullerton Av ch, Presby of Chicago	10 00		
Rev W G Taylor, Water Cure, Pa, to educate a boy at Lincoln Institute (Memorial)	50 00		
Ch at Aurora, Indiana	6 45		
Newton ch, Indiana	7 00		
Rockford ch, Indiana	7 00		
Turtle Creek ch, Presby of Lima	2 00		
Central ch, St Paul, Minn	50 00		
Louisburg sch, Presby of Yadkin	4 00		
Twenty-Third St ch, Presby of New York	84 39		
Rev S G Clark, Presby of Usage	5 00		
Rev C A Conant, Five Corners, N Y, Presby of Cayuga	8 00		
Claiborne ch, Presby of Vincennes	2 00		
Honesville ch, Presby of Vincennes	2 00		
Newton ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	29 96		
Essex ch, Presby of Champlain	10 45		
C F Buckman, Esq, Green Valley	1 50		
South Salem ch, N J, Presby of West Chester	37 00		
Richland ch, Presby of Cairo	6 00		
Henna ch, Presby of Cairo	4 00		
Pilgrun ch, Presby of Cincinnati	4 00		
Pine Grove ch, Presby of Erie	12 00		
Hokendaqua ch, Presby of Lehigh	7 00		
Rev L Vance, Presby of Oberlin (Memorial)	10 00		
Hinton ch, Presby of St Lawrence	2 00		
Hudson ch, Presby of Columbia	25 00		
Musconetcong Valley ch, Presby of Newton	11 34		
Forty-Second St ch, Presby of New York	60 00		
Hannibal ch, Presby of Syracuse	20 00		
Saratoga Springs Infant Sab-sch, Presby of Albany	6 34		
Mt Pleasant ch, Presby of Lackawanna (Memorial)	5 00		
First ch, Monroe, Mich	45 00		
Cross Creek ch, Presby of Steubenville	6 00		
Concord ch, Presby of Clarion	5 00		
Callensburg ch, Presby of Clarion	5 00		
Colored Mission sch, under the care of Green-castle ch, Presby of Carlisle	45 00		
Pennington ch, Presby of New Brunswick	40 00		
Walnut St ch, Philadelphia, Pa	50 00		
Osceola ch, Presby of Des Moines	4 00		
Sinking Valley ch, Presby of Huntington	31 68		
Crawfordsville ch, Presby of Iowa City	5 00		
Walnut St ch, Presby of Philadelphia	198 46		

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<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Charleston sch 29 40; Knox Plantation sch 7 50; Edisto ch 10; St Andrews ch 3; Salem ch 4; St Paul ch 5	58 90
<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte ch and sch 39 56; Woodland ch 17 50; Fancy Hill ch 1; Love's Chapel ch 3; Bensalem ch 6	67 06
<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Chester sch 2 20; Winnsboro' sch 10; Blackstock ch 32	44 20
<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Greenville sch 12 60; Morris-town ch 15 50	38 10
<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch 7 75; Dalton ch 2 75; Williams sch 22	32 50
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Louisville ch	12 35
<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	16 00
<i>Pby of Union</i> —Maryville sch 5; Knoxville sch 1 25; East Knoxville sch 8 25; Strawberry Plains ch and sch 12 80	27 30
<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Lexington ch and sch 26 30; Greensboro' ch and sch 8 50; Pleasant Grove ch 3 25; Mebanville sch 1; Salisbury ch and sch 11 30; Gold Hill ch 2; Statesville sch 3; Concord sch 7 50; Mocksville ch 5; Mount Vernon ch 2 60; Mount Zion ch 6 50	76 95
<i>No Presbyterial connection</i> —Winchester, Va, sch 4; Fredericksburgh, Va, sch 10; Russell Grove, Va, sch 75 cts	14 75

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VALUABLE BOXES OF CLOTHING, &c.—For the Freedmen are acknowledged by our missionaries as follows, viz: By Rev. L. Dorland one, a bequest from Mrs. H. Leason, of Scrubgrass ch., Pa. By Rev. J. A. Chresfield, one from Shady Side ch., Pittsburgh, Pa., and one barrel from Sermet, N. Y. By Miss M. M. Higgins, one from 3d ch., and one from Mrs. T—, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Miss M. M. Miller, one from 1st ch., Pittsburgh, Pa. By Rev. S. Mattoon, D D., President, one for Biddle Memorial Institute, from Ladies' Sewing Circle of 4th ch., Pittsburgh, Pa. By Misses F. Bausman and K. Moorhead, one from the Juvenile Missionary Society, Greensburgh, Ind. By Rev. S. S. Munkland, one from 3d ch., Albany, N. Y. The united value of these boxes may not be estimated below \$700.

Miss M. M. Higgins acknowledges receipt of cash, also for the work, \$20 from friends, and \$40 from Mrs. Beers, Ithaca, N. Y., and from Diantha Smith of Pike, Wyoming Co., N. Y. \$5, in all \$65.



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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The General Assembly is to meet in a few days, and all branches of the Church, as well as our own, will look with interest to see the results accomplished during the year by our reconstruction; to learn whether the ardent expectations of its friends have been realized, and what the out-look of our future portends.

The Home Mission work will especially be expected to manifest the fruits of this reunion. Indeed one great argument, if not the great argument, for it was, the more thorough and successful cultivation of the *home field*. It is gratefully testified that in all the aspects of the work, except the financial, its progress has been very encouraging.

The number of missionaries has been increased by nearly a hundred. The deaths have been few, and the defections less.

The reconstruction of fields by the reunion of congregations, while not so numerous as desired, yet are enough to demonstrate the practicability and vast desirableness of it. Many more points have been reached, and are embraced in the ministration of our missionaries.

Many Presbyteries are giving earnest attention to the *circuiting* and supply of their destitute fields and feeble churches, as well as to the enlargement of the faith and liberality of the people. This more thorough exploration is leading to openings of promise in the bounds of even the older Presbyteries. The most thorough and unwearied care on the part of the Presbyteries is indispensable to real and extensive progress in the work of Home Missions. They must be the permanent supervisors of the work. They have the control of the fields of labor, and the laborers in them. Their increasing interest and energy are, therefore, most hopeful and encouraging.

Then the contributions from the churches and individuals, since reunion, have been larger than in the former year. The falling off has been in legacies, not in church or individual donations. Whether the number

of churches contributing has been increased, cannot be ascertained until the annual reports are all sent in to the Board; but the increase of contributions from the churches and individuals is comforting.

A goodly number of the churches aided, have now, and will become self-sustaining, thus relieving the Board, and enabling more workers to be sent into "the region beyond." Some have not only become self-sustaining, but producing; having already sent respectable contributions to assist the less fortunate, perhaps to assist some of the less faithful.

The joy of these churches and ministers should excite and encourage many still dependent congregations to the same "work of faith and labor of love." Some of the aided congregations, and some of the poorest supplied missionaries themselves, have manifested their sympathy with the Board in its embarrassments, by generously and self-denyingly contributing, out of their poverty, to its relief. May the blessing of giving above receiving be granted them by Him who regards and registers even "a cup of cold water."

Not only does the work present these and other encouragements, but above all others it manifests the approval of the Head and King of Zion, in the large and widely extended out-pourings of the Holy Spirit. Seldom in the history of the Church have so many revivals and times of refreshing been enjoyed. Large numbers of hopeful converts have been added to the Church.

The only discouraging feature is the financial. By God's blessing on anxious and constant exertions, the Board was enabled to close its financial year on the 31st of March without debt, but with a balance of less than thirty dollars in the Treasury. The very next day, April 1st, brought upon it the liabilities of the month, thirty thousand dollars. The contributions since, by no means equal the demands upon its treasury. For the next six months, if the past is an indication of the future, but few and small collections are to be expected.

What then is to be done to meet the necessities of the twelve hundred and twenty-five missionaries already in commission?—that is, simply to keep the work where it is.

Then, further, what is to be done for these many openings of great promise on the frontier? What is to be done for these scores of experienced ministers and young men just leaving our seminaries, all willing to answer the cries from all parts of the mission field for preachers of the gospel? Shall they be sent? All that is wanting is the means. Will these means be furnished by the people of God?

The answer, and the responsibility of it rests, not chiefly on the Board, but upon the churches, on the ministers, and elders, and deacons, and members.

Never were such grand opportunities offered to any age or Church. Shall they be improved? Shall the land be evangelized and saved? This generation must answer it, and for it. Let our entire Church ponder this issue. Let the General Assembly make it her chief and solemn care to settle it rightly for Christ.

## TO PRESBYTERIES.

*Dear Brethren,*—The union of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church has brought into sympathy, and the rapid extension of railways, especially in new States and Territories, has brought into practical proximity feeble churches, that heretofore could not be brought together.

It was the fond expectation that after the re-union such churches would naturally flow together, and thus constitute fields of ministerial labor more compact, convenient, and promising than they had been before. The hope has been but partially realized; indeed self-sustaining churches have seemed to unite more readily than those that had been receiving missionary aid. We, therefore, beg leave to call the attention of Presbytery to this subject, and solicit your friendly offices in persuading contiguous congregations to unite in the support of a pastor, and, if need be, in arranging anew the missionary fields in your bounds, so as to make them, if possible, embrace all the important points, and yet give every man abundant opportunity for pleasant and successful work.

1st. *In no other way can we supply all our destitute fields with the* PREACHING OF THE GOSPEL.

Hundreds of churches are destitute of preaching because ministers cannot be found; and the difference between the supply and the demand grows greater every day. Let two or three neighboring churches unite in the support of one missionary, and they can all be supplied with preaching; and in this way the ministerial force in a given Presbytery might be found adequate to its necessities, though now many of its churches seem to be dying for want of care.

One large Presbytery has entered on this work with zeal. It has arranged eleven circuits or missionary fields of two churches each; three, of three churches each; two, of four churches each; two, of four churches each; while eight of the larger congregations have each a minister. Thus forty-seven churches are supplied by twenty-four ministers by this arrangement, without which, perhaps, one-third of the whole would be destitute of preaching.

2d. If such an arrangement can be made beneficial to the feeble churches it will be equally so to the missionaries themselves—*it will make them better and more effective men.*

Some missionaries we find have but thirty or forty or fifty hearers. But it is folly for any man in full possession of his powers to consent to be tied down to such a narrow field; it is cruel to insist on it; there is danger that his energies become dwarfed or paralyzed by disuse, and all his sympathies dried up. Give him more scope and variety and responsibility in his labors; enlarge his field; give him more work to do—more souls to care for—and it will quicken his intellect, stimulate him to better efforts, awaken his enthusiasm, warm his heart, and make him a better preacher and a better man. Give him more work to do—a larger field to cultivate—and he will find a growing satisfaction in his calling, and the churches will find a greater pleasure in contributing to his support.



3d. *In view of the condition of our Treasury some such arrangement has become absolutely necessary.*

You have been kept advised of our income and our expenditures. Our expenses for the year, covered by our coming report, will be nearly, or quite \$100,000 more than our receipts. Whether there will be any improvement in the future is uncertain. The only safe course for the missionary to take is to enlarge the base of home supplies, and depend less on aid from the Board.

Already we have been compelled to cut down the appropriations called for, to the great distress of the missionaries and their families. We would gladly avoid causing them pain—but we cannot help it. Without greatly enlarged contributions from the churches, it must not only continue, but increase and deepen, unless two, three, or four contiguous churches will consent to constitute one missionary charge. Then if they become self-sustaining, all the better. It will relieve the Board to that extent, and give to minister and people both a sense of independence, a pleasing consciousness of ability for self-support, and we shall be able to extend aid to others more needy, and plant churches in other promising fields, which otherwise must remain vacant.

If the Presbytery will take up this or some similar practical method of reconstruction, and press it earnestly, wisely, kindly and perseveringly, we cannot doubt that much good may be accomplished; and unless it be done, there is danger that a shock may be soon given to many for which they are not prepared—danger that the Board will be compelled to refuse all aid to churches that are expecting to apply for it, and expecting to receive it. We could name a Presbytery that has taken hold of this matter with a determination to reduce the expenses of the Board of Home Missions within its bounds, and already they report a reduction for the coming year on what they called for last year of \$1250. A resolution equally firm, and measures equally wise and kind, would undoubtedly accomplish results in other Presbyteries equally striking.

By order of the Board,

H. KENDALL, }  
CYRUS DICKSON, } *Secretaries.*

## TWO LETTERS FROM THE WIFE OF A HOME MISSIONARY.

*Sir*,—The *Record* for December just came by mail, and I took it with a trembling hand, for it seemed as if it would contain a life or death warrant for the poor feeble church in this place. Husband came here in August, but they were so poor and so feeble it seemed impossible to stay. He preached a few times, and six were added to the small membership on one Sabbath, and nine the next, one elder ordained, a prayer-meeting started, and other points in the country visited, and Presbyterians found

pleading for preaching; he concluded to stay awhile, when just then came word that our Board of Missions was in debt. In the meantime he had sent for us to come on, and I sold everything I could to get the money to move, even to bedding. Well, here we are, living or staying in a little room twelve by fourteen feet, with a few borrowed things to keep house with, waiting for better news from the Board. Can you wonder, my dear sir, that I shed tears to-day when I read the December number of the *Record*? I was reared in an Eastern city, used to all the refinements

of society in the East. I have followed my first-born in his early manhood to the grave, and seven times the sod of the prairie has been broken to receive the little ones that have been removed from the little cradle to the little coffin. To-day, hardly able to get about, sick, weak, I shed those tears, not for myself, not for the dear ones gone to the better land, but for the living, for the destitute around. Our eldest daughter is teaching, and Mr. F—— is compelled, in order to earn a little money, to go in and assist. This takes him from his work, from his study, but what can be done? he has only received ten dollars in four months. I am writing this without his knowledge, to see if we can have a box of clothing, groceries, or anything to keep house with sent very soon. Mr. F——'s commission expired last June; you see why it was not renewed, while all the time he has been doing missionary work. I will send you the information you wish immediately.

We have six children, but the two eldest are away earning their own living. Hoping to hear from you soon,

I am, yours, with respect.

*Dear Sir,*—Yours of February 24th was received, Mr. F—— has forwarded a new application, and I trust it will be all right. Brother —— wrote to husband several weeks ago, saying that the first application was received and signed by the Committee and mailed to New York. It must have been lost on the way. We have been having a precious season, some dear young persons are inquiring the way to Jesus. The session meets to-day, and several, I don't know how many, will present themselves for admission. O how very light our trials seem at such a time! How poor the treasures of earth compared with the worth of immortal souls! When permitted to see such interest in sacred things, I forget the trials, the poverty, even those little wayside graves, and only rejoice that I can have some humble part in this glorious work. Last week Mr. F—— preached every

night, and almost every day to crowded houses, and some could not get seats. He preached three times on Sabbath, twice in the country and once in the village; to do so, he rode about sixteen miles. We thank you for your words of sympathy. They did almost as much good as money, although we need a little of that. Two years ago a little money was left me by a dear father to get a home. We bought a small house and lot in M——, paid all we had, and gave a mortgage on the house for the remainder. Then came sickness. I was completely prostrated. Two dear little children were laid to rest in their coffin beds, both in one week; a third child was very sick but was spared. Well to make the story short, pay day came and not a cent to meet it, our little home will be sold this month at auction to meet the payments. I don't know why I tell you, a stranger, this, but it seemed as if I must tell it to some one. Please excuse this freedom to a stranger. You kindly ask if a box of clothing will be acceptable. If it will not rob any others or cause any hard feeling, we would be very glad to have it. The ladies sent me a box this winter, and supplied me well with some things, and sent nothing but what was useful and needed. Still there are many things that would come as good as money for our family use. My dear sir, do as you think best. I am quite weak, and it is with an effort I write, but wish I held "the pen of a ready writer" that I could tell you about the work of Home Missions; how eager the people are for sound doctrine, how much we need a church building, &c. Our little church took up a collection for Home Missions last Sabbath, three dollars; you will please deduct it from Mr. F——'s salary before you send it,

Yours, with respect.

These two letters from the wife of one of our missionaries in the home field, will excite interest and sympathy in the hearts of all our people. What it costs of toil and tears to establish and maintain the gospel in this land! Let each one ask, "am I doing and enduring what I ought in this struggle to make this land Emmanuel's?"



## RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN MARCH, 1871.

<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Manchester ch Sab-sch 9 25; Allegheny Central ch 78 28; First Ger ch Alle- gheny 28 20 115 73	<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Dunham 1st ch 104 28
<i>Pby of Altou</i> —Lebanon Ger ch 2 50; Shipman ch 19 70; Spring Cove ch 17 45; Plainview ch 13 50; Mrs W R Adams 10, Memorial; Collins- ville ch 97 65; Greenfield ch 15 175 80	<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Chester 1st ch 47 30; Kennett Square ch 10; Faggs Manor ch 40 95 98 25
<i>Pby of Athens</i> —Chester ch 13 25	<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Ludlowville ch 5 90; Weeds- port ch 57 38; Auburn 2d ch Sab-sch 62 50; Auburn 1st ch 633 60; Auburn Central ch 20; Genoa 1st ch 13 42 796 80
<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Schenectady East Ave ch 15 40; Saratoga Springs ch 100; Albany 1st ch 630 50; Schenectady ch 307 23 1,053 13	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Lexington ch and Stations 6 00
<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Ebenezer ch 5; Wallingford ch 5 10 00	<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Horse Heads ch 36; Rev John Gray, Moreland, N Y 50 86 00
<i>Pby of Austin</i> —Galveston 1st Ger ch, Texas 20 00	<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Mt Tabor ch 9; Mill Creek ch 5; Mt Pleasant ch 6; Emlenton ch 11 50; Rockland ch 15 62; Academia ch 6 53 12
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Vallejo ch 11; Santa Rosa ch 5; Rev Thos Fraser 25 41 00	<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Clermont ch 7 50; Liberty ch 5 10; Byron Centre ch 3 65; Dubuque 1st Ger ch 10; Bethel ch (West Union) 8 34 25
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Amity ch 20; Harrisville ch 22 50 42 50	<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Jefferson ch 9 65; Guthrie ch 20; Mt Ayr ch 2 65; Chariton ch 12 50; Dexter ch 2; Osceola ch 17; St Charles ch 3 66 80
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Buffalo 1st ch 680 54; Buffalo North ch 1,402 50, of which Memorial 141 50, and Sab-sch 80; Buffalo, Lafayette St ch 328 09; Westfield ch, Ladies 35; Fredonia ch 10; Panama ch 7; Buffalo, Westminster ch, add'l 10; Buffalo, Central ch, add'l 82 85 2,555 98	<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Carrollton ch 10; Hamilton ch 118 50 128 50
<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Nineveh ch 100; Union ch 25; Masonville ch 7 50; Apalachin ch 21 50; Binghamton 1st ch 211 50; Binghamton North ch 100 465 50	<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —South Lyon ch, add'l 2; Wyandotte 1st ch 37 50; Pontiac ch 43 04; Plymouth ch 30 112 54
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Westminster ch, Baltimore 610, of which "a member for February and March" 12, and Anonymous (Memorial) 100; Baltimore 1st ch 1,250; Baltimore South ch 22 80; Baltimore 2d ch, add'l 9; Baltimore Central ch 60 45; Mt Airy, Harmony ch 20; Glenville, ch 25 1,997 25	<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Georgetown ch 7 40; Harbor Creek ch 8; Springfield ch 17; Oil City 1st ch 65; Fairfield ch 5; Mercer 1st ch 73, of which 25 from J P Aun, and Belle Grub; Westminster ch 16 191 40
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St, add'l 105 50; South Third St ch, Williamsburgh 166 58; Tompkins Ave ch, Missy Socy 75; Lafayette Ave ch, add'l 299 56, of which Sab- sch 250, mon con 49 56 646 64	<i>Pby of Emporia</i> —Emporia 1st ch 10 00
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Plum Creek ch 25 00	<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Pluckamin ch 50; Roselle ch, add'l 16; Rahway 1st ch 79 62 145 62
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Lexington ch 10; Wenona 1st ch 21; Farmer City ch 4 50; Bloomington 2d ch 163 92; Onarga ch 10; Rev E Scudder High 6 215 42	<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Covington 1st ch 300; Paris ch 85 50; Ludlow 1st ch 25; Lexington 2d ch 714 45; Crittenden ch 21 50; Burlington ch 16 85 1,163 30
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —De Graff ch 7 85; Zanes- field ch 4 70 12 55	<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Lawrence ch 10; Freeport 2d ch 31 10 41 10
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Columbus 1st ch 279 29, of which Sab-sch 10; London ch 25 304 29	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Flat Rock ch 6 07; Elk- heart 1st ch 10; Elhanan ch 2; Bluffton ch 5; New Lancaster ch 2; Pleasant Ridge ch 10 35 07
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —La Crosse ch 5 50; North La Crosse ch 2 50 8 00	<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Montanna ch 10; Onawa ch 6 30 16 30
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Englewood ch 14; Hyde Park 1st ch 223 96; Zion Ger ch 12; Joliet Central ch 67 55; Lake Forest ch 768 40, of which 758 52 Memorial, and 9 88 mon con 1,085 91	<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Branchport ch 11; Seneca Falls ch Sab-sch 62 50; Ithaca 1st ch 62 95; Geneva ch, balance in part 183 78, F C Maxwell & Bro 1000, mon con 10 15, Sab-sch 50 = 1245 93; West Dresden ch 16; Waterloo ch 60; Tru- mansburg ch 27 01 1,485 39
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Lafayette 2d ch 157 60; Darlington ch 6; Williamsport ch 5; Dayton ch 30 60; Attica ch 1; Rockville ch 17 01 217 21	<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Portland ch 13; Spring Lake ch 17 66; Zeeland ch 6; Greenwood ch 1 37 66
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Big Grove ch 4 40; Vinton 2d ch 25 29 40	<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Oakfield ch 9; Attica ch 23 70; Corfu ch 25, of which 15 from a friend; North Bergen ch 5; Bergen ch 15 81; Le Roy ch 421 42, of which Sab-sch 284 29 499 93
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati Central ch 400; Cincinnati 2d ch 170 50; Cincinnati 3d ch 173 65; Cummins ville ch 8; Monroe ch 8 25 760 40	<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Almond ch 14; Angelica ch 40; Rushford 1st ch 20; Belmont ch 11; Andover ch 25 110 00
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Bainbridge ch 6 00	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Haverstraw Central ch and Sab- sch 40; Bloomingburg ch 3; Nyack 1st ch 35; Centreville ch 10; Rockland 1st ch 2 82; Clarkstown Ger ch 5 95 82
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Nashville ch 7; Friendsville ch 5; Gilead ch 5; Grand Tower ch 17; New Du- quoin ch 36 41 70 41	<i>Pby of Huntington</i> —Schellsburg ch 6; Sinking Creek and Spring Creek chs 140; Lewistown ch Sab-sch 50; Mifflintown and Lost Creek ch 124 30; East Kishacoquillas ch 62 382 30
<i>Pby of Colorado</i> —Puebla ch 3; Black Hawk ch 20 23 00	<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Washington ch 5; Doniphan ch 15; Atchison ch 15 35 00
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Cleveland 1st ch, add'l 37; Cleveland Memorial ch 20; Independence ch 12 50 69 50	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Jonesboro' ch 25; Kingsport ch 16 20 41 20
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Malone ch 789 50, of which Mrs E L Meigs 250, S C Weed 500; Peru ch 10 60 800 10	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Birmingham ch 17 05; Inde- pendent ch 5; West Point ch 6; Pilot Grove ch 3; Croton ch 5; Burlington 1st ch 55 91 05
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Mechanicsburg ch 36 25; Har- risburg 1st ch, add'l 25; Duncannon and Sher- mansdale chs 10 71 25	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Fairview ch 11; Brooklyn ch 2 20; North ch, Iowa City 50; Muscatine ch



- add'l 25; Clarence ch 19 24; Oxford ch 9 05; Unity ch 5 50 121 99
- Pby of Indianapolis*—Shelbyville Ger ch 14; Indianapolis 2d ch 100; Columbus ch 9 123 00
- Pby of Jersey City*—Rutherford Park 1st ch 24; Passaic ch 26 12; Paterson 2d ch 36 60; Union Rutherford Park ch 7 93 72
- Pby of Kittanning*—Union ch 14 64; Saltsburg ch 159 55; Glade Run ch 9; Lawrenceburg ch 8; Gilgal ch 10 201 19
- Pby of Kalamazoo*—Plainwell ch 9; Alamo ch 9; Decatur ch 11 35; Lawton ch 8; Cassopolis ch 12 40 49 75
- Pby of Lackawanna*—Kingston ch. mon coll 17 53; Wilkesbarre ch, add'l 77; Towanda 1st ch, add'l 10 72; Pittston ch 200; Prompton ch 10; Columbia Roads ch 3 328 25
- Pby of Lake Superior*—Marquette 1st ch 76 60; Duluth 1st ch 12 88 60
- Pby of Lansing*—Parma ch 35; Rev Calvin Clark 10; Lansing 2d ch 49 94 00
- Pby of Lehigh*—Summit ch 10, Memorial; Lower Mt Bethel ch 14; Allentown 1st ch 35 73; Easton 1st ch Sab-sch 58 117 73
- Pby of Lima*—Johnston, Rile Creek and North Bethel chs 25; St Mary's ch 4; Celina ch 3 32 00
- Pby of Logansport*—Indian Creek ch 3 50; Hebron ch 3; La Porte 1st ch, add'l 4 50, of which Sab-sch 3; Logansport 2d ch 73 25; Wanatah ch 3 94 88 19
- Pby of Louisville*—Bowling Green 2d ch 25; Shelbyville ch 28; Hopkinsville ch 7; Hodgenville ch 7 25; Elizabethton ch 7; Princeton ch 61 50; South Carrollton ch 21; Salem ch 13 45 170 20
- Pby of Long Island*—Amagansett ch 7 33; Franklinville ch 24 31 33
- Pby of Lyons*—Huron ch 15 44; Palmyra ch 326 05, of which Missy's Ass'n 51 50; Lyons ch 25 43; Rose ch 10; Newark ch, balance in part 29 75 406 67
- Pby of Maumee*—Bryan ch 10 10; Rev J E Vance and family 8; Toledo 1st Ger ch, add'l 3 21 10
- Pby of Morris and Orange*—Hanover 1st ch Sab-sch 80 60; Hanover 2d ch 53 71; Orange 2d ch add'l 100; Dover Welsh ch 7; Myersville Ger ch 5; Dover ch 100 346 31
- Pby of Marion*—Corinth ch 25; Chesterville ch 4; Claridon ch 5 34 00
- Pby of Mahoning*—Lowellville ch 15; Hanover ch 10; Beloit ch 6 31 00
- Pby of Monmouth*—Cream Ridge ch 16; Plumstead ch 4; Allentown ch 117 30; Hightstown ch 15; Cranberry 2d ch 26; Holmansville ch 13; Tom's River ch, add'l 5; Dayton ch 10 256 30
- Pby of Mankato*—Le Sueur ch 5 00
- Pby of Mattoon*—New Hope ch 7; Kansas ch 40; Oakland ch 4; Marshall ch 3 55; Tuscola 1st ch 15 85; Hebron ch 3; Rev Edwin Black 10; Prairie Bird ch 6 65 90 05
- Pby of Monroe*—Monroe 1st ch 93 35; Petersburg ch 10 75; Deerfield ch 9 25 113 25
- Pby of Missouri River*—Sioux City ch 20; Sidney ch 20; Pawnee City 1st ch 12 55; Nebraska City 1st ch 35 41; Missouri Valley ch 7 15; Woodbine and Dennison chs 10, of which 5 Memorial 105 11
- Pby of Milwaukee*—Cato ch 8 12; Milwaukee 1st ch 14 35; Waukesha ch 47 05; Immanuel ch, interest on bequest of H Curtis 10 79 52
- Pby of Muncie*—Marion ch 2 90
- Pby of Newton*—Stanhope ch 16; Andover ch 5; Bloomsburg ch 63; Phillipsburg ch 20 104 00
- Pby of New York*—University Place ch 3,620 37, of which 7 from the Married Female Bible Class of Sixth Ave Mission; Allen St ch, add'l 43, Memorial; Madison Square ch, add'l 1,905; Fourteenth St ch, add'l 20; Fourth Ave ch, add'l 100; Thirteenth St ch 110; Westminster ch 60, Memorial; Ch of the Covenant, add'l 1000; German ch 10; Chelsea ch Sab-sch 52 6,920 37
- Pby of Neosho*—Paola ch 5 25; New Lancaster ch 2 50; Elk Creek ch 4; Oakwood ch 1; Pleasanton 1st ch 4; La Cygne ch 3; Chetopa ch 30; Mapleton ch 4; Fairview ch 3; Independence ch 5 61 75
- Pby of Newark*—Newark 2d ch 255 33; South Park ch 468; Roseville ch, a friend 100, and mon con 63 24 = 163 24; Newark Central ch 110 996 57
- Pby of New Brunswick*—Princeton 1st ch 55 56; Lambertville 1st ch 312 54; Amwell 2d ch 17 335 10
- Pby of Nassau*—Northport 1st ch 18; Woodhaven ch 20 55, Memorial 38 55
- Pby of New Castle*—Hanover St ch, Wilmington 220; Manokin ch 39; Milford ch 20; Pencader ch, Glasgow 76 96, of which Sab-sch 30 93; Wilmington Central ch 50; Lincoln ch 8 42; Chesapeake City ch 12 82 427 20
- Pby of New Albany*—New Philadelphia ch 16 90, of which Pastor 10; Vevay ch 21 14, of which Sab-sch 7 14; Salem ch 21 30; Madison 2d ch 35 70 95 04
- Pby of Niagara*—Niagara Falls ch Sab-sch 50; Albion ch, Ladies' Home Missy Soc'y 121 79 171 79
- Pby of Northumberland*—Sugar Loaf ch 3 25
- Pby of North River*—Malden ch 21 94; Poughkeepsie ch. mon con 34 49 56 43
- Pby of New Orleans*—Germans of New Orleans 2 00
- Pby of Otsego*—Springfield ch 43 85; Oxford ch 164 30; Worcester ch 6 50; Milford ch 8 13 222 78
- Pby of Ottawa*—Greenville ch 3 25
- Pby of Ozark*—Carthage ch 10 00
- Pby of Pittsburgh*—Pittsburgh 1st ch, from W R Murphey 100, Memorial; Pittsburgh 2d ch, in part 461 40, of which Infant Sab-sch 24; Lebanon ch Sab-sch 13; Hazlewood ch Sab-sch 40; Mingo ch 30 644 40
- Pby of Philadelphia*—Wharton St ch 113; Clinton St ch, add'l, from Mrs Falconer 100, Memorial; 10th ch, add'l, 100; Westminster ch 13; Walnut St ch 274 63; West African ch 2 50; 1st ch, add'l, from Mrs M Shinn 2 50; 3d ch 322 73 928 36
- Pby of Philadelphia, Central*—Alexander ch 61 26; German ch 10; Olivet ch 45; Northern Liberties 1st ch 120; Columbia Ave ch 3; Western ch 25; Central ch 302 31 566 67
- Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Falls of Schuylkill ch 15; Neshaminy 1st ch 42 50; Market Square ch, Germantown, add'l 2; Chestnut Hill ch, add'l, from Thomas Potter, Esq 100; Frankford ch 200 359 50
- Pby of Palmyra*—Clarence ch 6; Brush Creek, Welsh ch 5 11 00
- Pby of Peoria*—Henry 1st ch 29 25
- Pby of Portsmouth*—Manchester ch 12 82
- Pby of Platte*—Westminster ch, St Joseph 47 80; Rosendale ch 5 52 80
- Pby of Redstone*—Springfield Furnace ch 10; Mt Vernon ch 8 18 00
- Pby of Rochester*—Rochester 1st ch 85 39; Ossian ch 4; Brick ch, Rochester 312 50, of which Ladies' Ben Soc'y 62 50; Westminster ch, Rochester 8; Menden ch 30; Genesee Village ch, add'l 77 66; Mt Morris ch 75 25; St Peters ch, Rochester 62; Avon ch 30; Caledonia 1st ch 39; Rochester Central ch 910 50; Clarkson ch 9 1,613 30
- Pby of Rock River*—Princeton ch 6 79; Calvary ch 6; Camden ch 7; Spring Valley ch 10; Garden Plain 1st ch 27 82 57 61
- Pby of Springfield*—Springfield 1st ch 150 36; Williamsville ch 5; Farmington ch 22; West Union ch 8 185 36
- Pby of Steubenville*—Pleasant Hill ch 9 70; Smithfield ch 10; New Harmony ch 3 08; Minerva

ch, add'l 4 05; Steubenville Ger ch 10; Madison ch 6 50; Clarkston ch 49 33	
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Vermillion ch 5; Sauk Centre ch 3; Harrison 1st ch 2; Willmar ch 2; St Cloud ch 5; Empire ch 1 50; Silver Creek ch 3 80 22 30	
<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Cazenovia 1st ch 116 78; Onondaga Valley ch 12 61; Syracuse 4th ch 275, of which Sab-seh 125; Syracuse 1st ch, from Mrs Robert Gere 75; Sab-seh 100 = 175; Oswego 1st ch, Ladies' Home Miss'y Soc'y 119; Dryden ch 40; Fayetteville ch 39 25 768 64	
<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Chaumont ch 18; Gouverneur ch 12 90; Watertown 1st ch, Ladies' Home Miss'y Soc'y 140 170 90	
<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Canisteo ch 15; Wheeler ch, from Gen O F Marshall 5; Arkport ch 32 89; Hornellsville ch 45 97 89	
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —First Welsh ch, St Louis and Stations 49 40; 1st Ger ch, St Louis 8; High St ch, St Louis 100; Salem Ger ch 9 166 40	
<i>Pby of San José</i> —Anaheim ch 10; San Buena Ventura ch 25; Santa Clara ch 2 37 09	
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Clayton 1st ch, add'l 6 50; Pittsfield ch 7; New Salem ch 5; Carthage ch 16 52; Perry ch 12 45 47 47	
<i>Pby of San Francisco</i> —Howard St ch, San Francisco, add'l 26 25; San Francisco Central ch 20 46 25	
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —West Middlesex ch 15 84; Neshannock ch 12; Westfield ch Sab-seh 10; Little Beaver ch 7 44 84	
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Wheeling Valley ch 15 70; New Athens ch 20 50; Cadiz ch 42 13 73 13	
<i>Pby of Santa Fé</i> —Las Vegas ch 2 00	
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 1st ch 570; Charlestown ch 3 50; Middle Granville ch 3 65; Salem ch 6 15; Troy 2d ch 190 41; Warrensburg ch 7 15 840 86	
<i>Pby of Transylvania</i> —Columbia ch 23 25; Ebenezer ch 16 15 39 40	
<i>Pby of Topeka</i> —Solomon ch 12 00	
<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Westminster ch, Utica 95; Utica 1st ch 365; Turin ch, a lady 5; Little Falls 1st ch 109 61; Clinton ch 35, of which 30 Memorial; Holland Patent ch, from a friend 10; New Hartford ch 84 02 703 63	
<i>Pby of Union</i> —Strawberry Plains ch 6 00	
<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Upper Indiana ch 20; Bruceville ch 2 75 22 75	
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —West Union ch 17; Waynesburg ch 6; West Alexander ch, add'l 5; Burgettstown ch 36; Hookstown ch 16 50 80 50	
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Cambridge City ch 5; Aurora ch Sab-seh 23 33 00	
<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Tioga ch 13; Condersport 1st ch 13; Covington ch 5; Mansfield ch 5 36 00	
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Jeromeville ch, Mrs M J Householder 10 Memorial; Shelby ch 16 45; Chippewa ch 6 25; Lexington ch, add'l 12 75; Mt Eaton ch 7; Berlin ch 7 59 45	
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Camden 1st ch 125 50, of which a family 25 50; Tuckahoe ch 3; Gloucester ch 5; Hammonton 1st ch 28, of which Sab-seh 13 161 50	
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Middle Octorara ch 60 00	
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Wheeling 1st ch, mon con 49 85; Kingwood ch 16 12 65 97	
<i>Pby of Westchester</i> —Yonkers 1st ch, mon coll 46 89; Stamford 1st ch Sab-seh 13 09; Thompsonville 1st ch, add'l 5; Bridgeport 1st ch Sab-seh, add'l 42; Memorial; South Salem ch, add'l 40; Westminster ch, Yonkers 14 17; Poundridge ch Parsonage 15; South East Centre ch 51; Mt Washington, from Jas McCreery, Esq 100 327 15	
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington 1st ch 53 02; Washington 4th ch 52; Bridge St ch, Georgetown 73 55; Manassas and Prince William 1st ch 12 50, Memorial 191 07	
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Shelden ch 7; Houston ch 6; Yucatan ch 5 85; Kasson ch 5; Winona ch, mon con 3 50; Utica ch 5; Chatfield ch 32 75; St Charles ch 11 40 76 50	
<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Lodi ch 61 33, of which 9 63 mon con; Baraboo ch 18 55; Oregon ch 9 30; Dayton and Bellville chs 8 25; Beaver Dam 1st ch 35 55; Pardeeville ch 4 136 98	
<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Eldora ch 10; Rock Creek ch 6 35 16 35	
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Brownsville ch 20; Jersey ch, mon con 10 50; Newark 2d ch Sab-seh 50 50, mon con 21 75 = 72 25; Linton ch 8; Evans Creek ch 4 114 75	
Total received from churches, \$38,256 22	
<b>LEGACIES.</b> —Bequest of the late Rev Elisha P Swift, D.D., Allegheny, Pa 100; Legacy, in part, of Daniel Murray, dcd'd 62 50; "Irwin Trust," annual income 420; "Ferry Ministry Fund" 225 897 50	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b> —Mrs L M Green, Delaware, Ohio 10, Memorial; Abby C Choate, East Derry, New Hampshire 30; Isaac R Smith, Phila 100; M S 2, Memorial; Mrs Jas McMullen, Brush Valley, Pa 1; Mary H Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa 5; E S H, Cleveland, Ohio 5; S L P, Erie, Pa 5; Memorial Fund 222; Ladies' Board of Missions, N Y 300; Isaac Sandt, Lindley, N Y 18; Mrs Geo Mackenzie, N Y 5; Mrs Henry L Young, Poughkeepsie, N Y 100, Memorial; "E," Thompson, Conn 5; Mary I Hays, Allegheny, Pa 100, Memorial; Erwin C Hall, Auburn, N Y 10; Mrs Z Smith, Manlius, N Y 5; Mrs A G Ruliffson, Chicago, Ill 5, Memorial; "Outsiders and Insiders of Columbus Grove, Ohio 10;" Rev Lyman Marshall, Lebanon, Ill 5, Memorial; Rev Wm Pelan, Missouri Valley, Iowa 10, Memorial; Henry Brewster, Shirleysburg, Pa 5; P B Worth, Tallula, Ill 1; Jas Russel, North Jackson, Ohio 25; Mrs L K Taylor and Miss Myra King, Carrollton, Ill 12; A Friend, Guthrie, Iowa 2; H S B and wife, Clearfield, Pa 5; Rev Cyrus Dickson, D.D., N Y 200, Memorial 1,203 00	
Total in March, \$40,266 72	
S. D. POWELL, Treasurer, 30 Vesey Street, New York.	
<b>CLOTHING.</b>	
5 boxes from the Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y of Brown Memorial ch, Baltimore, Md, valued at \$1,000 00	
3 boxes from the Oswego ch, N Y, valued at 793 54	
1 box from the Sing Sing ch, N Y, valued at 200 00	
1 box from the Ladies' of the 1st ch Rutherford Park, N J, valued at 130 00	
1 box from the Sewing Soc'y of 2d ch, Lexington, Ky, valued at 175 00	
1 box from the ladies of Windham Centre ch, N Y, valued at 70 42	
1 box from the Ladies' Sewing Soc'y of 1st ch Lambertville, N J, valued at 400 00	
3 boxes from the Rutger's Presbyterian ch, N Y City, valued at 500 00	
2 boxes from the ladies of West Spruce St ch, Philadelphia, Pa, valued at 813 69	
3 boxes from the Englewood ch, N J, valued at 700 00	
12 boxes from the Central ch, Philadelphia, Pa, valued at 3,538 19	
1 box from the Ladies' of the 1st ch Germantown, Pa, valued at 300 00	
1 box from the Newtown ch, Long Island, N Y, valued at 100 00	
2 boxes from the Scotch Presbyterian ch, N Y City, valued at 475 00	
\$9,195 84	
<b>PRESBYTERIAN ROOMS,</b> No. 30 VESEY STREET, NEW YORK CITY. Cor. Secretaries—REV. HENRY KENDALL, D.D., REV. CYRUS DICKSON, D.D. Treasurer—SAMUEL D. POWELL.	
LETTERS relating to Missionary Appointments and other operations of the Committee, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretaries, No. 30 Vesey Street, New York City. Letters relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, should be sent to S. D. POWELL, Esq., Treasurer—same address.	



## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but *he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.*—MATT. vii.

## THE GREAT ORATION OF THE GREAT KING.

A great King came to rule over the world. He was the Son of God. At a suitable time he assembled his chief adherents upon a mountain side, and delivered to them an oration upon the principles and objects of his reign, and upon their duties in relation to it. We have recorded in history many royal addresses and edicts, but not one in any language spoken on earth—not one uttered by any emperor, king, or prince—so wise, so excellent in all respects, and so important, as this. It may be studied over paragraph by paragraph, sentence by sentence, yes, word by word, every day, and each time it is studied some new lesson of value will be discovered in it. It is the best source of instruction as to the springs of wisdom, usefulness, happiness, and honor on earth; and as to a peaceful departure hence, an acceptance in the trial before the bar of God, and a joyful eternity. No language then can describe the necessity of unceasing efforts to fill our whole mind with the lessons of this Great Oration, our heart with its spirit, and our life with actions of obedience to it.

This Great Oration we entitle the *Sermon on the Mount*. Would that we could write it upon the tablets of the heart of every one of those young men of our Church who are setting forth to preach the gospel in this and in other lands. Would that we could draw them into a more and more intimate acquaintance with Jesus; awake them to more and more deep, thoughtful, prayerful study of every word He spoke while here among us; and press them to continued efforts to imitate Christ's ministry as the model of their ministry, Christ's spirit as the example of a perfect and heavenly spirit, and Christ's life as the divine pattern for the lives of all that are blessed with all spiritual blessings in Him.

The Sermon on the Mount is for those who, "leaving the *principles* of the doctrine of Christ," seek to "go on unto *perfection*." "Blessed" is that minister, and that man, who charges his whole soul with its lessons, and goes on to perform them. Its end is our *sanctification*. *Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a Rock*, which all the storms of earth or hell can never shake. Those "beatitudes" of earth prepare the soul for the beatitudes of heaven.

If such be your ministry, its scenes will be largely amidst those whose condition moved our Master "with compassion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." You will count it no loss to be "poor, but making many rich;" to be "earthen vessels," which, by the margin of the fountain of life, convey the precious draughts to the lips of the sick, the poor, the weary, the perishing.

Whoso reads this page let him remember that the Presbyterian Church has appointed this Board of Education that men so like Christ may be multiplied ten fold, an hundred fold, and sent to preach the gospel to every creature. Let him pray for its success; let him help it, by his gifts, to do its work. He will *share* in the joy of the harvest.



## THE TWO YOUNG FRIENDS.

Two young Scotchmen, religiously trained in their youth, were brought to hearty and loving obedience to Jesus Christ. In their communings one with another the wish was often expressed that He would enable one or both of them to serve Him in the office of the ministry; but no door was opened towards the gratification of that honorable wish. After a time they were separated, and one of them returned to Scotland. There God prospered him, and he became able to command a yearly income of seven hundred and fifty dollars. And now comes in the beautiful part of the story. The heart of the young disciple of Christ, uncorrupted by his comparative prosperity, was still set upon doing the greatest amount of good, and he blessed the kindness which, while he was provided for, enabled him to help his old companion in faith to accomplish the object they had formerly had in view. He therefore wrote him a letter in which he generously said, "I am now receiving a hundred and fifty pounds a year; come to Scotland, study for the ministry, and I will give to you, towards your support, one-third of it." With some hesitation to lay his friend under so heavy an obligation, the young man in America accepted the offer. He is now in Scotland, at work among his books. Had the friend saved, with equal economy, as much money to invest in trade, or land, or stocks, the world would have praised him. But tell us, could two hundred and fifty dollars in any other possible way have been expended to so great an advantage for the increase of his own happiness, for the assurance of his success in the great ends of life, for the spread of the blessings of the faith which he professed, and for the honor of the Christian name, as it was by that noble act? Truly, we think not; and in the Great Day the Judge, "on the throne of his glory," will say the same.

## FINANCIAL.

The months of March and April are those in which the principal collections for Education come in. It will be seen from the treasurer's report that in March \$16,025 was received. This has been but a portion of what the Board has needed in order to pay \$5,000 borrowed to complete the payments to students in January, and to meet those of March; and those for May, and to carry the work over until next winter, are yet unprovided for. This statement certainly should awake efforts to aid it in those who know how great a number of students, preceptors, and others, are dependent upon the help of the Church; and how great the trials to them if that help be not given in the measure, and at the time promised. The Board has no heart to encourage young men to hearken to the appeals of our Missionary Boards for preachers of the gospel, when the churches are so slow to aid those who are now engaged in study.

EXTRA APPROPRIATIONS.—It is with unfeigned regret, and knowing how much disappointment it will create to some of our most needy students, who have been waiting for them, that the Board at its last meeting was compelled to adopt a resolution that *no extra appropriations* save a few which had been previously promised, can be paid during the remainder of the present year.

## RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN MARCH, 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Greenbush ch 5; Tribes Hill ch 5; East Avenue ch, Schenectady 9 30; Saratoga Springs ch 25; Kingsboro ch 20 30; Galway ch 10; Experience ch 5; Carlisle ch 10; Hamilton Union ch 1 50; Johnstown ch 53 11	<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Belleville ch 15 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Sewickley ch 60; 1st Ger ch, Allegheny 28 91; Leetsdale ch 32 50; North ch 100 50	<i>Pby of Athens</i> —Athens 1st ch 18 00
	<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —South ch, Baltimore 10; 1st ch Baltimore 750; Piney Creek ch 6 65; Lonaconing ch 8 10; Barton ch 6 90; New Windsor ch 5; Baltimore 12th ch 25; Baltimore 2d ch 3; Govane Chapel Sab-sch 10; Havre de Grace ch 20; Emmitsburg ch 20 17; Westminster

ster ch, Baltimore, of which 15 from Sab-sch 112	976 82	bron chs 9 10; Willow Creek ch 35; 1st ch Winnebago 6 57; 1st ch Rockford 37 50 200 83	
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Bucyrus 1st ch 30 50; Bellefontaine 1st ch 17 68; Urbana ch 25; Sidney ch 28 25	101 43	<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Almond ch 15 66; Cuba ch 15; Rushford 1st ch 5	35 66
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Napa City ch 20; Vallejo ch 12	32 00	<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Warsaw ch 22; Byron ch 8 60; 1st ch Genesee 40 58; Bath ch 19 20	90 38
<i>Pby of Binghampton</i> —Binghampton 1st ch 76 80		<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Grand Rapids ch 12 41; Greenwood ch 1; Zeeland ch 2; Stanton ch 2	17 41
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Toiona ch 10; Paxton ch 6; Urbana ch 3; Champaign City ch 45 64; Chenoa ch 9 30; Lexington ch 20; Gilman ch 2 50; Hayworth ch 5 20	101 64	<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Washington ch 3; Highland ch 7 35; Geneva ch 10	20 25
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Unity ch 27 70; Centreville ch 4 50; Arinagh ch 15 50; Murraysville ch 25; Parnassus ch 16 09; Irwins Station ch 10; Cross Roads ch 19 28; Congrity ch 16 134 07	30 87	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Cochecton ch 4 75; Red Mills ch 4 61; Hamptonburg ch 46 10; Hopewell ch, of which 10 from a friend 25; Bloomingburg ch 2; Goshen ch 40 63; Port Jarvis ch 32 155 09	
<i>Pby of Boston</i> —Newburyport 1st ch	30 87	<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Spruce Creek ch 180; Holli- daysburg ch 22 58; Bedford ch 11; Milesburg ch 16 32; Pine Grove ch 8 50	238 40
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Classon Ave ch, Brooklyn 162 48; Lawrence St ch 2	164 48	<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Milan ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —East Hamburg ch 1; Panama ch 4 15; Westminster ch 60; Calvary ch 85 97	151 12	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Bloomfield ch 5; Libertyville ch 6; Fairfield ch 10; Salina ch 3 50; Ottumwa ch 3 30; Troy ch 8 10	35 90
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Pine Grove ch 8; Concord ch 24 50; Centre ch 19 41	51 91	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Mechanicsville ch 8; North ch 20; West Liberty ch 1 50; Herman ch 4; Blue Grass ch 3; Summit ch 6; Muscatine ch 15; Martinsburg ch 2; Crawfordville ch 3 62 50	
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Odine ch 3 70; Flora ch 2 80; Richland ch 7; Herman ch 3; Union ch 2 60; Carmi ch 12 55; Richview ch 14; Golconda ch 6; Pisgah ch 8	59 65	<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Indianapolis 5th ch 8; In- dianapolis 2d ch 51 05; Indianapolis 3d ch 66 86; Hopewell ch 15 06; Walnut St ch, Bloomington 16 80; Shiloah ch 2; Acton ch 5; Union ch 8 25; Southport ch 9 35	182 37
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Petersburgh ch 3; Dauphin ch 18; Paxton ch 31; Lower Path Valley ch 27; Burnt Cabin ch 8; Duncannon ch 3; Shippens- burg ch 16 52	106 52	<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Rutherford Park ch	15 67
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Washington ch 21 50; Vinton ch 20; Big Grove ch 11 60; Union ch 3 60; Yankee Grove ch 1 80; Andrew and Farmers Creek chs 7	65 50	<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Albion ch 13; Constantine 1st ch 8; Portland ch, Michigan 7 66	28 66
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Fairview ch 8; Upper Octorara ch 34 45; Coatesville ch 33; Forks of Brandy- wine ch 17 80	93 25	<i>Pby of Kingston</i> —Mars' Hill ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Neshonoc ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Indiana ch 100; Worthington ch 11	111 03
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Waverly ch	25 00	<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Troy 1st ch 46; Towanda 1st ch 78 61; Canton ch 15; Kingston ch, of which 3 75 from Sab-sch 37; Meshoppen ch 6; Rushville ch 2; Stevensville ch 2	185 61
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Ausable Forks ch 14 80; Champlain ch 16 12; Plattsburg 1st ch 21; Essex ch 13	64 92	<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Oconto ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Union ch 4 70; Pisgah ch 10	14 70	<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Shelbyville ch	11 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Calvary ch 109 43; Kankakee 1st ch 15 90; Denver 1st ch 24 33	149 66	<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Laporte 1st ch 9; Plymouth ch 4 50; 1st ch Delphi 21 35	34 85
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Lebanon ch 25; Somerset ch 5 07; Cincinnati 2d ch 237; Springfield ch 25 62	292 69	<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Setauket ch 10; Islip ch 8; Amagansett ch 3 67	21 67
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Cleveland 2d ch 183 50; Cleve- land 1st ch 123 45	306 95	<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Newark ch	23 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Licking ch 21; Leatherwood ch 10 15; Academia ch 5; New Rehoboth ch 10 05	46 20	<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Allentown ch 36 79; Reading 1st ch, of which 30 from Sab-sch 131 70; Lower Mt Bethel ch 7; Pottsville 1st ch 21 43; Mahanoy City ch 31 28	228 20
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Blendon ch 5; Worthington ch 6 58	11 58	<i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Blue Earth City ch 5; South Bend ch 2; Union ch, St Peters 24 60	31 60
<i>Pby of Crawfordville</i> —Bethany ch 13; Waveland ch 6; Newtown ch 2 50; Rob Roy ch 3 50; Crawfordville 1st ch 7 50; Eugene ch 5; Lex- ington ch 12 20; Lebanon ch 6 15	55 85	<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Marysville ch 7; York ch 5; Brown ch 6 30	18 30
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —New Jersey ch	11 50	<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Canfield ch	7 50
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Des Moines ch 8; Newburn ch 1; Garden Grove ch 11 55; Indianola ch 5 10	25 65	<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Toledo ch 8 60; Toledo 1st Ger ch 2 50; Toledo 2d ch 7 43; West Bethesda ch 10	28 50
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Stony Creek ch 21; Hillsdale ch 11 56; Holley ch 14 52; Mount Clemens ch 13	60 08	<i>Pby of Minnesota</i> —Lake City ch	8 80
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Sherrills Mound ch 5 70; Hop- kintown ch 10; Bellevue 1st ch 9 80; Rossville ch 5 70; 2d ch Vinton 10 35; 1st Ger ch 10; Pleasant Grove ch 3; Tipton ch 7 75; Mt Hope ch 3; Lansing ch 4	69 30	<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Fairview ch 2 50; Council Bluffs ch 40 50; Brownsville ch 8	51 00
<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Ashland ch 50; Burlington ch 15	65 00	<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Allentown ch 21 76; Man- chester ch 12 50; Cream Ridge ch 15; James- burg ch 30; Bordentown ch 5; Manalapan ch 30; Holmansville ch 9; Tom's River ch 7 37	130 63
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Pluckamin ch 20; Roselle ch 15; Springfield ch 10; Westminster ch 118; Liberty Corner ch 12	175 00	<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Chatham ch 43 29; Chester ch 15	58 29
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Belle Valley ch 7 18; Edinboro ch 18 72; 2d ch Mercer 12 50; Kerr's Hill ch 5; Pleasantville ch 30; Rouseville ch 24 42; Meadville 2d ch 26 25; Beaver Dam ch 5 25; Oil City 1st ch 60; Tidioute ch 50; Park ch, Erie 47 60; Greenville ch 35 65; Meadville ch 24; Corry ch 20	306 57	<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Astoria ch 64 26; Jamaica ch 57 50	121 76
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Freeport 1st ch 30 71; Middle Creek ch 9 25; Marengo ch 7; Freeport 2d ch 14 60; South ch, Galena 61 10; Linn and He-		<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Bloomfield ch 100 77; High St ch, Newark 37; Parsippany ch 5; Newark 2d ch 116 36	259 13
		<i>Pby of Newtown</i> —Harmony ch	23 25
		<i>Pby of New Orleans</i> —First Ger ch, New Orleans 10; 2d Ger ch, New Orleans 5	15 00
		<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —First ch Princeton 20; Trenton 3d ch 68 36; Trenton 1st ch 145; Mil- ford ch 15; Holland ch 7 50; 1st ch Lambeth- ville 41; Trenton 2d ch 16 33; Trenton 4th ch 136; Frenchtown ch 20; 2d ch Cranbury 10	479 16
		<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Female Benevolent Ass'n of St Georges ch 16 62; Green Hill ch 18 80; Elk-	



ton ch 27 50; Pencader ch 30 43; Manokin ch 22	115 35
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Pleasant Township ch 6 55; Aurora ch 21; Vevay ch 3 20; New Albany 1st ch 100	130 70
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Flemington ch 107 10; 1st ch Bloomsburg 20; Wantage ch 30; Stanhope ch 1; Musconetcong Valley ch 27; Deckertown ch 18	203 10
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Carlyle ch	11 75
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Fourth Ave ch, New York 50; West ch, New York 308 50; Harlem ch 22; Scotch ch 754; Brick ch chapel 31 47	1165 97
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Albion ch	11 75
<i>Pby of North River</i> —New Hamburg ch 9 64; Rondout ch 75; Smithfield ch 8; Kingston ch 10	102 64
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Mahoning ch 31 65; Washingtonville ch 10; Chillisquaque ch 14; Derry ch 5	60 65
<i>Pby of Otsego</i> —Richfield Springs ch	13 50
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Union Grove ch 6 02; Farm Ridge ch 12 90	18 92
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Clarence ch 6; Kirksville ch 4; Brookfield ch 6	16 00
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Yates City ch 8; Oneida ch 6 50; Atlanta ch 5; Canton ch 8 15; Prospect ch 27; French Grove ch 16; Ipava ch 20	90 65
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Market Square ch, Germantown 34; Falls of Schuylkill ch 15; Newtown ch (of which 14 67 from Ladies Mite Socy) 45 73; 1st ch Germantown 195; Frankford ch 60; Conshohocken ch 5; Abington ch 22	376 73
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Columbia Ave ch 2; West Arch St ch 87 75; Princeton ch 184 06; North ch 103	374 81
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Mantua 1st ch 50; 1st ch Phila 526 89; 2d ch Phila 62 64; 7th ch Phila (of which 15 from Miss C H) 105 60; 6th ch Phila 25 25; 1st African ch, Phila 2 50; South ch 10; Wharton St ch 19 37; Woodland ch 117 28; West Spruce St ch from C H Grant 30; Walnut St ch 283 76	1233 29
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Pittsburgh 3d ch 554 36; Bellefield ch 16 28; Central ch, Pittsburgh 89; Forest Grove ch 21; Hazelwood ch 20 83	701 41
<i>Pby of Platte</i> —Lexington 1st ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Portsmouth 1st ch 124 07; 1st ch Gallipolis 11 56; Eckmansville ch 5	140 63
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Irondale ch	2 50
<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Mt Pleasant ch 27 22; Pleasant Unity ch 10 50; Georges Creek ch 8; McKeesport ch 14 81	60 53
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Ogden Centre ch 20 10; Murray ch 5; Manchester ch 7 45; St Peter's ch 40; Central ch 125; Parma ch 3	200 55
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Edginton ch 9; Edwards ch 2 50; Rock Island ch 5 30; 1st ch Rock Island 30; Pleasant Ridge ch 3 25; Andover ch 6; 1st ch Princeton (of which 5 from Sab-sch) 37; Genesee ch 7; Camden ch Sab-sch 4; 1st ch Sterling 18	122 42
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Belle Plaine ch 3; Central ch, St Paul 19 40; St Anthony's ch 7; House of Hope ch 65; Westminster ch 58 30; Rockford ch 2; Delano ch 1; Dundas ch 3 80; Forest ch 2 40; Long Lake ch 1; 1st ch Stillwater 15	177 30
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Midland City ch	2 00
<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Theresa ch 8 50; Plessis ch 5; Canton ch 11 65; Waddington ch 17 07	42 22
<i>Pby of Santa Fé</i> —Santa Fé 5; Las Vegas ch 2	7 00
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Rock Hill ch 7 37; Bellair ch 29 83; Morristown ch 10 83; St Clairsville ch 55	103 03
<i>Pby of Schuylker</i> —Good Hope ch 12; Augusta ch 15 15; 1st ch Monmouth 37 40; Camp Creek ch 13; Brooklyn ch 1 30; Hantsville ch 1 20; Fountain Green ch 5; Bardolph ch 12 60	97 65
<i>Pby of Scioto</i> —Red Oak ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Pulaski ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Virginia ch 11 55; Irish Grove ch 3	14 55
<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Corning ch 87 55; Canisteo ch	92 55

<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Canonsburg ch 9; Madison ch 6	15 00
<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —First ch Syracuse 75 25; Park ch 55 40; Liverpool ch 16 30	146 95
<i>Pby of Topeka</i> —Topeka ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Woodside ch 9; Troy 9th ch 10; Oakwood Ave ch 17 80; Whitehall ch 47; Park ch, Troy 34 47; Londonderry ch 21 05; Salem ch 21 25	160 57
<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Westminster ch 18 79; Hector ch 2; Little Falls ch 40; 1st ch Rome 36 20	96 99
<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Evansville ch 36 45; Mt Vernon ch 10 50; Princeton ch 13 30; Evansville 1st ch 142; West Salem ch 2	204 25
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Forks of Wheeling ch 72; New Cumberland ch 26; Waynesburg ch 5; 1st ch Wheeling 72 40; Georgetown ch 25 50	200 90
<i>Pby of Watertown</i> —Cape Vincent ch 12; Watertown 1st ch 102	114 00
<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Waverly ch 3; Salem ch 8 50	11 50
<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —First ch Hartford 50; Bridgeport ch 75; Westminster ch 8 75; Sing Sing ch 130; Rye ch 50; Nyack ch 10	323 75
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Morgantown ch 19; Alexander ch 16 03; Ravenswood ch 5	40 03
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Woodbridge ch 56 50; Tuckahoe ch 2; Hammoncton ch 3 50; Camden 1st ch 30; Bunker Hill ch 3 40; Salem ch 70; Blackwoodtown ch 30; Gloucester ch 3 17; Fislerville ch 33; Mount Holly ch 20	251 57
<i>Pby of West Lexington</i> —Frankford ch	50 00
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Bellevue ch 5 82; Slate Ridge ch 21; Lancaster ch 37 61	67 43
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Greensburg ch 61 28; Cambridge ch 12; Nightstown ch 17	90 28
<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Tioga ch 10; Wellsboro ch 15	25 00
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —First ch Winona 11 43; Caledonia ch 8; Albert Lea ch 6; Sheldon ch 3; Utica ch 2	30 43
<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Maysville Ger ch 2; De Pere ch 10; Pioneer ch 3; Weyawega ch 5	20 00
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Savannah ch 11 87; Perryville ch 8; Clearfork ch 3; Lexington ch 25 25; Ashland ch 36; West Salem ch 4; Jeromerville ch 7 43; Mt Eaton ch 6; Congress ch 8 53; Hayesville ch 14 43; McKays ch 5 85	114 38
<i>Pby of Lancaster</i> —Jersey ch 8; Waterford ch 8 71; Pataskala ch 14 25; Muskingum ch 10; 1st ch Newark 11; Lithopolis ch 7 45; Fredericktown ch 13 90; Zanesville 1st ch 14 74; Clark ch 13	101 05

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## LEGACIES.

Estate of W McClintock (part tax remitted) 30;	
Estate of B J Blythe (Balance and Interest) 372 06	402 06

## ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL FUND.

"Certain Gifts to the Memorial Com for the Board of Education" 50; *Pby of New York*—Westminster ch 31; Rev Geo C Bush, Newton, Pa 50; Lyman Marshall, Lebanon, Ill 5 136 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

R N A, New York 20; Rev E Gartland, Granville, Ohio 10; Interest on Means Fund. in part 194 25; E B Babbitt, U S A. Portland. Oregon 25; G. Liberty. Pa 1; H M Lane 5; Welsh Calvinistic ch. N Y 30; Mrs J B Worth, Talula. Ill 1; E L A, Pittsgrove, N J 2; James M Sutton, Plumville, Pa 2; James Russell, North Jackson, Ohio 10; Cortland ch. N Y 22 46; Newfield ch. N Y 10; Union City ch, Ohio 13; Perry ch, N Y 16; Baraboo ch, Wis 10 50; Terrytown ch, Pa 5

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## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

MISSIONARIES FOR AFRICA.—The Rev. Albert Bushnell and his wife, Miss Sarah J. Boughton, the Rev. Samuel H. Murphy and his wife, and the Rev. Samuel L. Gillespie, embarked for the Gaboon and Corisco Mission, West Africa, on the 12th of April. Mr. and Mrs. Bushnell return to their station at Gaboon, with health considerably benefitted by their visit to this country. Mr. Bushnell was able to visit the theological seminaries, and many of the churches, and always to the great gratification of his hearers. In answer to his appeals, Messrs. Gillespie and Murphy, and also the Rev. J. C. de Bruyn Kops, who is expecting to embark in a fortnight, all new missionaries, have been led to engage in the service of this mission. The stations of the new brethren will be decided after they arrive. Mr. Gillespie is a graduate of the Princeton Theological Seminary, and a member of the Presbytery of Chillicothe. Messrs. de Bruyn Kops and Murphy are graduates of the Chicago Theological Seminary, and members of the Presbytery of Chicago. All the members of this missionary band are commended to the blessing of God, and they will be remembered in the prayers of very many of his people. The two Missions, the Gaboon, which was lately received by transfer from the American Board, and the Corisco, are now united as one. With this reinforcement, and with measures completed for enlarged work, and especially with greater interest awakened among the churches for this, which is one of the darkest portions of the missionary field, we hope to see the successful labors of past years marked with new success hereafter.

MISSION TO THE NEZ PERCES.—The nomination of the Agent of the Nez Perce Indians, in Idaho, was assigned to the Board. Soon afterwards, and equally without any previous knowledge or action of the Board, the Rev. Henry H. Spalding and his wife applied for an appointment as missionaries to these Indians. In the agency, a gentleman is now in office, who was nominated upon the recommendation of the Rev. Drs. Geary, Lindsley, and other Christian friends in Oregon, and who is believed to be not only well qualified for the post in business matters, but also in full sympathy with the missionary work of the Church. Mr. and Mrs. Spalding have also been appointed as missionaries, upon the recommendation of brethren in the Presbytery of Oregon, as well as upon their own record, which is one of peculiar interest. Mr. Spalding was the colleague of Dr. Whitman, when the mission was under the care of the American Board, from 1842 to 1847; their mission was then broken up by what is known as the Whitman Massacre—in which dreadful scene, Dr. Whitman and others lost their lives, and Mr. Spalding barely escaped from death. This massacre by the Indians is believed by well informed people to have been instigated by Jesuit priests. The mission was not continued by the American Board; but Mr Spalding still remained in that part of the country, and labored as he had opportunity for the welfare of the Nez Perces. Nor were his labors in vain; a church has been formed among them, and a part of the scriptures has been translated and printed in their language. The Agency has been too often in the hands of men who exerted only a disastrous influence. We trust a brighter day is now before these Indians, and that their long tried missionary, now in elderly years, but still a man of vigor and ability, will be spared to complete the work he has at heart. We are glad to learn that he has received the appointment of superintendent of instruction from the new

agent. Both Dr. Whitman and Mr. Spalding went to Oregon as members of one of the Presbyteries in Western New York. Through what varied and often sad changes does God often carry forward his work! We may add that the Nez Percés have a reservation of their own, and they number over three thousand souls. We trust this mission will have an earnest remembrance in the prayers of the churches.

**A NEW STATION IN BRAZIL.**—The city of Bahia, in the north-eastern part of this country, is now the station of the Rev. F. J. C. Schneider and his wife. The inhabitants of this city are estimated at 120,000; it is a place of large commercial activity. We trust it will become the centre of widely extended influence for the spread of the gospel through Mr. Schneider's efficient labors.

**CONTINUED INTEREST** in the neighborhood of Tripoli, of the Syria Mission, is reported by Mr. S. Jessup. In two of the larger villages near that station measures have been taken by some of the people to become officially recognized as Protestants, and they have sought religious teachers from the mission—all this in the face of many threats and not a little actual persecution. A second application for a teacher had been received from a village twenty-five miles south of Tripoli. The bible colporteurs sent out from this station are meeting with unusual encouragement.

**THE NEWS FROM THE PERSIAN MISSION** is full of interest. Referring to the Mohammedans, the Rev. J. G. Cochran says: "We all marvel at the accessibility of the Musalmans and even of the Moolahs, and every week surprises us with new cases of inquiry. I can safely say we have seen more of hopeful interest within the last year than we saw in the previous ten years." Among the Nestorians also Mr. Cochran's letter gives evidence of much progress. Noble efforts had been made by some of the native Christians to support their own ministers; one church, by great sacrifices, had undertaken to furnish the whole salary of its pastor. Extracts from Mr. Cochran's journal, we hope, can be given in the *Foreign Missionary*. The outlying field of this mission in Persia is one of great importance. But on the other hand, the laborers are few, and they are mostly in such reduced health that two of them at least, perhaps three, ought to return to this country without delay on a visit for its recovery, leaving hardly a missionary on the ground. *More men must, if possible, be sent to this mission.* One is under appointment, expecting to go out in August. We trust three or four more may be found ready to go at the same time.

**ENLARGED WORK AT CANTON CONTEMPLATED.**—The brethren consider it important to establish a Training Class for native women as assistants in the missionary work, and a Boarding School for girls, and to increase the Training Class of men to fifteen—all of which has received the approval of the Board.

**MORE MISSIONARIES CALLED FOR.**—Besides the increase of laborers earnestly asked for in the Syria and Persian Missions, the letters reported this month make a strong plea for more men in Japan, and in Brazil. Another minister is also greatly desired in connection with the Creek Mission.

**"ADDED TO THE CHURCH."**—We regret that so few cases of hopeful conversion are mentioned in the letters acknowledged this month; but we are glad to report two persons as admitted to the communion of the church of Sorocaba, Brazil, one to the church of Benita, West Africa, and two to the Chinese church of San Francisco; fourteen persons had applied for admission to the Creek church.

**RECEIPTS FROM MAY 1ST TO APRIL 1ST.**—From churches, \$183,159; from legacies, \$11,230; from miscellaneous donors, \$13,710; in all, \$208,101. Receipts in the same months last year, \$203,982—of which, from churches,

\$159,776. The payments for the debt of last year, now nearly completed, are not included in the above returns.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO APRIL 14TH.—From the Seneca Mission, Alleghany station, April 1st; Seminole, March 20th; Creek, April 5th; Navajo, March 28th; San Francisco, March 31st; Yokohama, February 14th; Yedo, February 16th; Shanghai, February 10th; Hangchow, February 6th; Ningpo, February 1st; Canton, February 9th; Bangkok, February 9th; Allahabad, February 25th; Futtchgurh, February 7th; Saharunpur, February 21st; Dehra, February 14th; Sabathu, February 7th; Lahor, February 21st; Kolapore, February 23d; Oroomiah, January 30th; Tripoli, March 9th; Beirut, February 24th; Abeih, March 11th; Benita, January 26th; Corisco, December 28th; Gaboon, February 2d; Rio de Janeiro, February 23d; Sao Paulo, February 18th; Bahia, February 25th; Bogota, February 14th.

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### CHANGES IN THE GABOON AND CORISCO MISSION FIELD.

The changes in Western Africa, south of the English and American settlements, in the purely native parts of the coast, in the last twenty-seven years, have been something wonderful. Then the slave trade, with its horrid evils, desolated this part of the Western coast. Then there were hardly any missionaries. Then the native languages were unwritten, no schools existed, ignorance was universal. Then vice and crime were unrestrained, human life was of little worth, death reigned. Now there are English Episcopal, Wesleyan, and Baptist; German; Scotch United Presbyterian, and American Presbyterian missionaries at several places for fifteen hundred miles south-eastward of Liberia. Now several languages have been reduced to writing, the scriptures translated and printed, and hymn-books, school-books, &c., also schools established, and readers are numerous. Now foreign commerce of a legitimate kind, though unhappily with its serious drawbacks, has followed the extinction of the slave trade and also followed in the wake of Christian missions; and one of its advantages is to give the missionaries their letters by steamers once a month, where formerly they received them as opportunity occurred, on the average once a year. Now the leaven of divine truth is widely spread, the elements of civilization on a Christian basis begin to appear, many of the people are in better houses, wear clothes, and live well; now there are churches, and native ministers and teachers; and many are the souls that have been saved.

Two of our missionaries have themselves seen these changes within the last thirty years; one of them, the Rev. Albert Bushnell, spoke of them as an eye witness for twenty-seven years, at a farewell missionary meeting lately held in this city. Who can say what further changes will be witnessed in the next thirty years? We believe that they will all be in the line of Christian progress. We hope that our missionary friends, now on their way to the Gaboon and Corisco Mission, will see greater changes still in this onward and upward movement in Western Africa. Let it be remembered that the changes of the past were not owing to foreign commerce, for there was none but the slave trade; nor to colonial settlements, for there is none within a thousand miles of Corisco or Gaboon; but they have been mainly owing to the direct and indirect power of Christian missions. These missions are themselves the fruits of divine grace. These missions sow the seed of new life as contained in the gospel of Christ. These missions are accompanied by the life-giving power of the Holy Ghost. Well may we expect success to follow such ministries, even in Africa.



## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

(Continued from vol. xviii, page 203.)

No. 34. AS TO LETTERS FROM MISSIONARIES to Sabbath-schools and missionary societies in churches. Applications are sometimes made to have some particular object designated for support by a Sabbath-school or a missionary society, on condition of receiving in return frequent reports or letters concerning the objects thus supported. In reply to a recent letter from one of our esteemed friends, the secretary of a ladies' missionary society, who says, after suggesting several things, not, however, asking for frequent letters, "I shall be very glad if you would write your views," the following answer was sent:

"The plan of your writing either to Mrs. — or to Miss — on the subject strikes me very favorably. The latter, I know, and the former, I suppose, can use the pen of a ready writer. I am not able to speak as yet confidently of the former as she has but lately joined the mission. Your letters of kind sympathy would be encouraging to our friends at C — or B —, and would, I doubt not, bring you replies which you would all be glad to receive. There is need of larger funds in nearly all the missions, and at both those places your gifts could no doubt be well expended.

"In general our missionary friends have more work than they can do at their several stations, and have too little time and too little strength, especially in countries of hot climates, to write many special reports, or accounts of particular objects in their work; I mean, in addition to their correspondence with the Board and with their own families. Sometimes, moreover, especially in regard to scholars in the mission schools, there may not be much to write and that not very interesting or encouraging in some cases. There is also quite a variety of talent among missionaries in this respect, as among people here at home. One of our best men in the East can hardly be induced to write anything at all, while none of his brethren are more entirely engaged in their work, or could send us more interesting accounts. The general subject is one about which a good deal might be said, . . . but I am compelled to write in much haste.

"On the whole, I counsel our friends here not to expect too much in the way of special letters or reports from the missionaries, but rather to regard all that is found in the *Record* and *Foreign Missionary* as intended for them. And yet I think they may very properly, and with mutual interest and advantage, turn to account any personal acquaintance or any special providence that may facilitate such correspondence as you refer to."

## COLPORTAGE FROM SHANGHAI.

The Rev. John Wherry, under date of December 16th, 1870, gives a report of the colporteur's work under his charge, which we here insert. Our readers will be favorably impressed with his remarks on the men employed, and their usefulness in this work. We may believe that the word of God, thus given to the Chinese, will yet be the means of doing good, notwithstanding the imperfection of its service. And we may also learn to value more the efforts of our missionary brethren

to train their native assistants for more efficient work. The importance of kind, directing, stimulating, and watchful supervision in such work as this is very manifest.

Eight Colporteurs have been employed by this mission within the year, aggregating sixty and one half months of labor for one individual. These have gone from city to city and village to village, in the provinces of Kiangsu and Chekiang, selling scriptures and portions of scriptures, and tracts, at a nominal price, explaining privately, and, when occasion offered, in formal discourse, the character of the books

distributed. Though the country through which they have passed has been agitated with portentous suspicions, rumors, and tales of foreigners and their religion, our colporteurs have not met with any violence or much ill treatment of any kind. The fears of some, the contempt of others, and the unconcern of almost all for everything that has not its chief promise for this life, have been the obstacles met with, no greater this year, perhaps, than in more peaceful times.

It is greatly to be regretted that a more suitable class of native agents cannot be secured for this work. But such is the demand for laborers in other departments of mission work considered more important, that unless we would give up this altogether, we must be content with inferior men. Integrity, stability, and a desire to discharge duty are perhaps the highest qualities it is possible to secure. Intellectual ability, education, enthusiasm, and zeal have been, and till a growing church affords a wider choice, will be, sadly wanting. Men of this inferior stamp, to be greatly efficient, need constant and careful supervision, and such the superintendent regrets it has not been in his power to give them. An able foreign leader is needed to accompany them on their tours, and by precept and example instil into them the system, diligence, and courage which they lack, and instruct them more thoroughly in Christian doctrine and the method of presenting it to others. In the lower view of the work as the distribution of so many religious books, the advantage of such a superintendency is no longer doubtful. Both the British and Foreign and the Scottish National Bible societies have tried it with marked success. And we cannot but think that the interest in and influence of our books is much increased when earnestly and intelligently commended.

During the year there have been New Testaments sold, 37 copies.

New Testaments presented, 4 copies.

Portions of Scriptures sold, 10,726.

Portions of Scripture presented, 7,779.

Traacts sold, 5,208.

Traacts presented, 6,997.

#### TAUGHT OF GOD.

Mrs. Mateer, writing at Tungchow, China, November 28th, 1870, sends us

the following narrative—one of beautiful simplicity, both in its writer's style and in its subject's Christian character.

One stormy evening not long since, I was agreeably surprised by the appearance at our door of the cheerful face of Chang, the oil pedler, living about thirty miles distant; a middle aged man of such warm heart and sunny smile that he is like a ray of sunshine wherever he goes. I had sent a messenger to apprise him and the school boys in that vicinity of our return and the re-opening of the school. He came to visit his teachers, and spend the Sabbath where he could worship God with his brethren, a privilege he rarely enjoys, for, as he says, "these hundred li are just as much as he can make on foot." He was telling me of a carpenter of his acquaintance who is somewhat interested in the gospel, and of the conversations they often have. I was much struck with the appropriateness of the arguments and illustrations he used with his friend. He went on to say, "What an astonishing doctrine this is. I used to think myself a very good man. I was diligent in business, earned what myself and family eat and wore, and harmed no one; but when I heard the gospel, it was like a mirror which showed me all my heart, and I found that I was and had always been a miserable sinner without any good in me at all. I am a poor sinner still, but God is very good to me. When the country was full of rumors and threats of violence to the foreigners and Christians, I did not feel afraid. I don't fear men now, I only fear God. As I carry my oil from place to place, people sometimes call me bad names and repeat the rumors and threats which were so current, but I do not care. I feel that God is above me, and round about me, and I do not fear man." I thought of the Psalmist's beautiful expression of confidence, "The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear; the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid." He, poor man, had never read it, for as yet, we have only the Gospels, Acts, and Genesis in language that such as he can understand. "But," said I, "if you are a poor sinner, as you say, is not God angry with you? When you feel that He is so near, why are you not afraid of Him?" "Ah," said he, "God would be angry, and I would be much afraid but for Jesus. He has died for me, and His blood takes away all my



sin, so now I have nothing to do but love and trust Him." I thought, my dear brother, your simple faith is a lesson to your teachers. The man's conduct agrees with his profession. His heathen neighbors remark his scrupulous honesty and observance of the Sabbath. They consider him half demented and ascribe his mental aberration to the foreigners' books, which he spends the whole of every seventh day poring over, instead of attending to his business, like a sane man. In a Christian land a man might learn such language from men, but not in such a place as this.

### THE INFLUENCE OF A MISSIONARY ON HIS BRETHREN.

"How hard to realize that our dear Brother Stoddard is no longer with you; that we are never to see him again there or here! He will have no more to do

with earth, unless it be as a ministering spirit to the heirs of salvation. In spirit I see the face which has struck so many as a peculiarly heavenly one. It is my daily, almost hourly prayer that the death of Mr. Stoddard may leave an abiding savor of heaven, and of Christ, and of divine things upon all our hearts and deportment, upon all our native brethren, and upon our entire work. I find myself often lost amid musings and pleasant recollections of him. I can truly say that all the influence he ever exerted over me was for Christ, heaven, and eternity. He was the first missionary I knew personally, and my first impressions of missionary character could not have been happier. Oh, that I might be quickened by his life and death to more ardent longings after holiness and a deeper devotion to Christ's service!"—*Memoir of the Rev. S. A. Rhea, of the Mission in Persia*—page 220.

### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN MARCH, 1871.

**SYNOD OF ALBANY.**—*Pby of Albany*—1st ch Amsterdam 17 47; Nassau ch 23; 1st ch Bethlehem 22 50; East Ave ch, Schenectady 15 40; Newland Missy's Chapel 25 47; 4th ch Albany 572 47; Stepietown ch 14; Esperance ch Sab-sch 5; 1st ch Greenbush 31 50; 1st ch Albany 630 50; Saratoga Springs Sab-sch 30. *Pby of Champlain*—Fort Covington ch 52 70. *Pby of Columbus*—Catskill ch 230 46. *Pby of Troy*—Fort Edward ch 14 24; 1st ch Cohoes 17; Olivet ch, Lansingburg 60  
\$1,761 71

**SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.**—*Pby of Yadkin*—New Centre ch 2 45; Logan ch 1 70; Freedom ch 2 50; Murland Sab-sch 7 50  
14 15

**SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.**—*Pby of Baltimore*—First ch Baltimore 4,488 97; Thank-offering for China 11 03 = 4,500; Govane Chapel 3 50; Annapolis ch 58 07; Grove ch 2 50; 2d ch Baltimore 18; Westminster ch 754, Sab-sch 50 = 804. *Pby of New Castle*—White Clay and Head of Christiana chs 32; Christiana ch 15; Pitts Creek ch 24 61; Rehoboth ch 5; Newtown Sab-sch 13 50; Central ch, Wilmington, Del 50 28; Glasgow ch 39 15; Hanover st ch, Wilmington 100; Lower West Nottingham ch 48 88, Contents of little Ellen Rowland's Missy's Box 1 31, Mary Rowland's Box 81 cts = 51; 1st ch Delaware City 20; Manokin ch, Princess Anne 25. *Pby of Washington City*—First ch Washington 189 05; Bridge st ch, Georgetown 105 56  
6,056 22

**SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.**—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Concord ch, Mary A Gage, Memorial for Chiengmai 5; New Plymouth ch 10; Bainbridge ch 7; Pisgah ch, for Gaboon 125. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Third ch Cincinnati 79; Pleasant Ridge ch 18 40, Sab-sch 7 59 = 25 99; Springdale ch 26 30; Glendale ch 74 58; 7th ch Cincinnati 7 85; 2d ch Cincinnati 9 85; Loveland ch 21 43; 2d Ger ch Cincinnati 9; Lane Seminary ch 206 25; College Hill ch 47 25. *Pby of Dayton*—Washington ch 12; 1st ch Springfield 145 69; Middletown ch 23 79; Seven Mile ch 18; Somerville ch 25. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Rome ch 5  
883 98

**SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.**—*Pby of Cleveland*—Orwell ch, Rev W F Millham and wife 15; 1st ch Wiloughby 5. *Pby of Mahoning*—Vienna ch 24; Newton ch 19, James Russell 81 = 100; Beloit ch 4. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Wheeling Valley ch Sab-sch 10; New Athens ch 7; Short Creek ch 15 40; Little York ch 5 70; Farmington ch 10. *Pby of Steubenville*—Smithfield ch 10; Deersville

ch 10; New Hagerstown ch 55; Waynesburg ch 33; Bethlehem ch 22; Pleasant Hill ch 15 75, Sab-sch 23 = 38 75; Annapolis ch, Geo Cumming 10; Two Ridges ch 132 89; Beech Spring ch 36 75; 1st ch Steubenville 23 72; Wellsville ch 17 40; Madison ch Sab-sch 3 50  
559 11

**SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.**—*Pby of Athens*—Pomeroy ch 29 90; Berea ch 5. *Pby of Columbus*—London ch 10, Sab-sch 15 = 25; Central ch, Circleville 35 10; Hoge ch 12 66. *Pby of Marion*—Mt Gilead ch 34 51. Sab-sch for Tunghow 2 07 = 36 57; Chesterville ch 11 25, Sab-sch 2 10 = 13 35. *Pby of Wooster*—Millersburg ch 19; Lexington ch 76 85; Shelby ch, Mrs Mackey 1; Rev George Morris 509; Orange ch 4 50; Ashland ch 2 90; Chippewa ch 11; Markville ch 21; Chester ch 11 50, Sab-sch 9 75 = 21 25; Jackson ch 52 65; Mt Eaton ch 16. *Pby of Zanesville*—Putnam ch 205, C W Potwin, to con sel *Honorary Director* 100 = 305; Coshocton ch 60; Mt Vernon ch 30; 1st ch Homer 9; 2d ch Zanesville 24 06 1,302 79

**SYNOD OF ERIE.**—*Pby of Allegheny*—Perryville Sab-sch 5; Freedom ch 5 50; Tarentum ch 30 90; 1st Ger ch, Allegheny 2; Manchester ch 1; Valley ch 25. *Pby of Butler*—Ebenezer ch 5; Zelenople ch 11; Mt Tabor Sab-sch 8 60, branch Sab-sch 2 40 = 11; Muddy Creek ch 11. *Pby of Clarion*—Brookville ch 30; Rockland ch 2 30. *Pby of Erie*—Petroleum Centre ch 136; 1st ch Meadowl 70. Sab-sch to ed child at Dehra 12 75 = 82 75; Sandy Lake Sab-sch 3 50; 1st ch Mercer, J P. Ann and Belle Grubb 25. *Pby of Shenango*—Second ch New Castle 50; Little Beaver ch 11; Pulaski ch 10 87  
453 32

**SYNOD OF GENEVA.**—*Pby of Cayuga*—First ch Genoa 13 42; Ludlowville ch 12 07. *Pby of Chemung*—Havana ch 21. *Pby of Geneva*—First ch Manchester 14; Romulus Sab-sch 18 22. *Pby of Lyons*—Huron ch 18 37. *Pby of Steuben*—Canisio ch 6 25; Wheeler ch, Gen'l O F Marshall 5; Hornellsville ch 40  
148 33

**SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.**—*Pby of Carlisle*—Duncannon and Shermandale chs 10; Rockly Spring and St Thomas ch 13; Upper Path Valley ch 60 30, Female Missy's Soc'y 76 75, Sab-sch 73 36 = 210 41. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Yellow Creek ch 12 03; East Kishacoquillas ch 80; Little Valley ch 34, Sab-sch 20 = 54; Tyrone ch 28; Bethel ch 10, Sab-sch 5 35 = 15 35; Petersburg Sab-sch 2 30; Lewistown Sab-sch 50; Milroy ch 130; Huntingdon ch 175; Alexandria ch 95. *Pby of*



*Northumberland*—First ch Williamsport 103 08; 1st ch Northumberland, Junior Foreign Missy Soc'y 62; 3d ch Sab-sch Williamsport 30; Lewisburg ch 12; Newberry ch 12; Linden ch 16 15. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Tioga ch 11 1,121 32

*SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—Pby of Bloomington* Gilman ch 2; 1st ch Bloomington 39; El Paso ch 10; Onarga ch 12 22; Waynesville ch 8. *Pby of Peoria*—Henry ch 69 83, Mrs Winns' Sab-sch Class 5 57 = 75 49; Galesburg ch 111 40; Mansfield ch 12, Sab-sch 5 = 17; Elmwood Sab-sch 10. *Pby of Schuyler*—First ch Mt Sterling 59 30, Sab-sch Missy Soc'y 65 70 = 125; Keithsburg ch 8 20, Sab-sch 5 = 13 20; Oquawka Sab-sch 5; Plymouth ch 13; 1st ch Rushville 16 15; 1st ch Carthage 16 03. *Pby of Springfield*—Farmington ch 10; Williamsville ch 5 488 40

*SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—Pby of Chicago*—Manteno ch for Laos 1; 1st ch Hyde Park, to con Claudius B Nelson *Honorary Director* 219 50; Zion Ger ch and Sab-sch 5; Lake Forest ch. mo con 9 87, Memorial 753 53 = 768 40. *Pby of Rock River*—First ch Rock Island 21 75; Camden Mills Sab-sch 5; Calvary ch 7; Edgington Sab-sch 5 1,032 65

*SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—Pby of Alton*—Greenburg ch 111 75; Rev Peter Hassinger 10; Butler ch 18 40; Virden ch, envelope system 116 56. *Pby of Cairo*—Pisgah ch 18; Friendsville ch Miss So for child at Lodianna 15; Wabash ch 6; Gilead ch 6; McLeansboro Sab-sch 3; Kinmundy ch 8; 1st ch Centralia, Mrs Elizabeth Scofield, Memorial 5. *Pby of Mattoon*—Paris ch 46 31; Kansas ch 25 75 389 77

*SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—Pby of Crawfordsville*—Hopewell ch, a member, Memorial 4; Rockville ch 17; West Point ch 12; Attica ch 1; Centre ch 110. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—First ch Fort Wayne 172 95; Elhanon ch 2; Bluffton ch 2; Pleasant Ridge ch 10. *Pby of Logansport*—First ch Sab-sch La Porte 5; Kentland ch 13 17; Hebron ch 5. *Pby of Muncie*—First ch Anderson 22; Perrysburg ch 3 379 12

*SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—Pby of Indianapolis*—Boggsstown ch Sab-sch class 2; Acton ch 5; Walnut st Sab-sch, Bloomington 45 90; New Pisgah ch 5; 3d ch Indianapolis 67 16. *Pby of New Albany*—Sharon ch 5; Mt Lebanon ch 5 25; Graham ch 8 40; Vevay Sab-sch 15; 1st ch Madison 194 56; 1st ch New Albany 200; 2d ch Madison 57 50; Lexington ch 16 50; Sharon ch 2 70; Charlesown ch 10. *Pby of Vincennes*—Claiborne ch 9; Hovesville ch 6; Upper Indiana ch 10; Bruceville ch 2; Mt Vernon ch 10. *Pby of White Water*—Knightstown ch Sab-sch 20; 1st ch Shelbyville 33; Cambridge ch 10, Children 7 = 17; Rising Sun ch 17 763 97

*SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Scotch Grove ch 18; Bethel ch 4; Marietta ch 5; 1st ch Cedar Rapids 7 45; Big Grove ch 4 40; Yankee Grove ch 4; Union ch 2 40. *Pby of Dubuque*—Sherrills Mount Sab-sch 3; Mt Hope ch 5; Lansing Sab-sch 4; 1st Ger ch Dubuque 10; Pleasant Grove ch 3. *Pby of Fort Dodge*—Jefferson ch 4 20; Algona ch 3. *Pby of Waterloo*—La Porte City and Big Creek ch 5 82 45

*SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—Pby of Des Moines*—First ch Des Moines 37 20, Sab-sch, to ed boy at Canton 25 = 62 20; Chariton ch 19; Guthrie ch 25; 1st ch Newton 14 92; Osceola ch 10. *Pby of Iowa*—First ch Sab-sch Burlington 55 93; Ft Madison ch 35 35; Birmingham ch 9 40. *Pby of Iowa City*—Crawfordsville ch, Wm Brown 13; North ch, Iowa City 5; Tipton ch 12 90; Sab-sch 12 80 = 25 70; West Liberty ch 1 50; New York ch 4 50; Muscatine ch 90; Summit ch Sab-sch 4 25. *Pby of Missouri River*—Bellevue ch 12 50 436 25

*SYNOD OF KANSAS.—Pby of Emporia*—First ch Emporia 12 77. *Pby of Highland*—Atchison ch 15; Doniphan ch 10; 1st ch Washington ch 5. *Pby of Neosho*—Fort Scott ch 23 20; 1st ch Pleasanton 2 25; Sugar Valley ch 2 25. *Pby of Topeka*—First ch Sab-sch Leavenworth 23 25; Baldwin City ch 14, M Lain, Memorial 10 = 24; Black Jack ch 7 50. *Pby of Santa Fe*—Los Vegas ch 2 127 22

*SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—Pby of Ebenezer*—Newport

Columbia st ch 12. *Pby of Louisville*—Shelbyville ch 33; Walnut st ch, Louisville 25 20 70 20

*SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—Pby of Brooklyn*—First ch Brooklyn (Dr Seaver's) add'l 150, South Third st ch Williamsburgh 35 86, Sab-sch for two Iowa children, two at Corisco, one at Ningpo, one at Futehaurh, one at Shanghai 175 = 219 86; Ger ch Williamsburgh 6; Geneva ch 25 10; Lawrence st ch 10; 1st ch Remsen st 55 50, A M Ritchie 50 = 105 50; Lafayette Ave ch 1,805 46; Throop Ave ch 18 63; Rev P J Myers, Williamsburgh 14 50. *Pby of Long Island*—Amagansett ch 7 33, Sab-sch 5 75 = 13 08. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch 39 56; 2d ch Huntington 134; Northport ch 15 2,347 69

*SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—Pby of Detroit*—Westminster ch, Detroit 109 44; Mt Clement ch 34; Jefferson Ave ch, Detroit 223 83. *Pby of Grand Rapids*—Zeeland ch 3. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—1st ch Constantine 11; Plainwell ch 10. *Pby of Lansing*—First ch Delhi 9. *Pby of Monroe*—First ch Hudson 22. *Pby of Saginaw*—Midland ch 2; Flint ch 147 40; Pine River ch 5; Lafayette and Emerson ch 5 66 582 33

*SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—Pby of St Paul*—First ch Duluth 4 75; Rockford ch 3; Delano ch 6; Long Lake ch 1; Westminster ch, Minneapolis 12 25. *Pby of Winona*—Utica ch 2; Houston ch 5; Le Roy ch 5 39 00

*SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—Pby of Osage*—Austin ch 2 50. *Pby of Palmyra*—Brookfield Sab-sch 4. *Pby of Platte*—Sixth st ch St Joseph 40 79; Osborn ch 5. *Pby of Potosi*—First ch Irondale 5. *Pby of St Louis*—Webster Groves ch 25; North ch, St Louis 30; Carondelet ch 23 45, Sab-sch 3 25 = 26 70 138 99

*SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—Pby of Elizabeth*—First ch Metuchin 49 16; 1st ch Roselle 45, Sab-sch 10 = 55; Lamington ch 83; Connecticut Farms ch 36 31, Sab-sch 18 69 = 55; Woodbridge ch 60; Baskinridge ch 70, Sab-sch 30 = 100. *Pby of Jersey City*—First ch Jersey City 149 28, Sab-sch 50 = 199 28; Rutherford Park ch 29 61. *Pby of Monmouth*—Allentown ch 100; Manalapan ch, Gravel Hill, Sab-sch 5; 2d ch Cranberry 46; Holmansville ch 18; Dayton ch 10. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Whippany ch 29; Welsh ch, Richard's Mine 7; 1st ch Morri-town, K and C 100; Fairmount ch 10; Central ch, Orange 200. *Pby of Newark*—Wickliffe ch 20 24; 3d ch Newark 59 33, Sab-sch 56 = 115 35. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Bound Brook ch 33, Int on Steel's Legacy 36 = 75; 1st United ch, Amwell 25; Lawrenceville ch 297 10; 3d ch Princeton 210 67; Zenana Ass'n 120 = 130 57; 2d ch Amwell 14 26, Sab-sch 18 54, Spring Valley Sab-sch 2 20 = 35; Hamilton Square ch 10 75; 2d ch Sab-sch Princeton 100; Flemington ch 303 05. *Pby of Newton*—Reasville Village Sab-sch 7; 1st ch Newton, Youths' Tract and Missy Soc's, sup Mr and Mrs Loo in China 118 80, and one in India 99 20 = 218; Andover ch 7, Sab-sch 5 = 12; 1st ch Bloomsbury 53, Sab-sch 20 = 73; Phillipsburg ch Sab-sch 11; Stanhope ch 1. *Pby of West Jersey*—Absecon ch Sab-sch 5; Clayton Sab-sch 10 54; Cape Island ch 14 50, Sab-sch 13 = 27 50; 1st ch Camden 100; Tuckahoe ch 5; 1st ch Cedarville 101; Hammonton ch 5; Brainerd ch 7, Sab-sch, Elwood 3 = 10 3,114 15

*SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—Pby of Boston*—Second ch Newburyport 26. *Pby of Hudson*—Mt Hope ch 60; Hopewell ch 50, a friend 10 = 60; Bethel Sab-sch 4 50; Monroe ch 5 50; Sab-sch to sup child at Dehra 32 21 = 37 71; Washingtonville ch 3; 1st ch Nyack 35. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch, annual coll, in part 3,499 47; Brick ch Chapel 14; 1st ch 184 45, Sab-sch 43 25, mission sch 63 20, for girls' boarding sch Shanghai, Christmas festival 9 = 299 90; Phillips ch 23 61; University Place ch 150; Madison Square ch, annual coll, in part 5,017 35; Sea and Land ch 16; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth ch 200; Westminster ch 61 64. *Pby of North River*—Bethlehem ch 101 63; Marlboro ch 25 50; Calvary ch, Newburg 35 03. *Pby of Westchester*—First ch Thompsonville 50; Mt Washington ch 100; 1st ch Peekskill 19 93; South Salem ch 183 10; Pound Ridge ch Par-

sonage 20; Rye ch, in part 250; Westminster ch, Yonkers 92 47 10,335 84

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of San Francisco*—First ch San Francisco 124, Ladies for Scholars 19 = 143; Chinese ch 20 35; Walnut Creek ch 9 90; Calvary ch, San Francisco 588. *Pby of San José*—Westminster ch, Santa Clara 25 786 25

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Forks of Brandywine ch 14 25; Faggs Manor ch 73 70. Sab-sch 40 = 113 70; Fairfield ch 16. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Montrose ch 3, Little Dellie Parke 10 = 13; Barclay ch 14 84; Wilkesbarre ch 77; 1st ch Abington 20; Pittston ch 100; Columbia Cross Roads ch 10; Wells and Columbia ch 4 50. *Pby of Lehigh*—Upper Mt Bethel ch, Portland Sab-sch 2; 1st ch Allentown 35 73; Lower Mt Bethel ch 21, Sab-sch 5 = 26. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—First ch Mantua 100; Arch st ch 467 61; Columbia Ave ch 3; North Tenth st ch 93 30; 1st ch Cohocksink 174 12; 1st ch Northern Liberty 285; German ch 3; Bethesda ch 55 25; Alexander ch 62 63. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—First ch Germantown 320, Sab-sch to sup boy under Dr McCartee 50 = 370; Abington ch 25; Chestnut Hill ch, Thos Potter 100; Huntingdon Valley ch 11. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Woodland ch 130, Miss Sarah Kerr 2 50 = 132 50; Clinton st ch, Maria K Witherell for Kolapoor, to con self *Life Member* 50; Westminster ch 14; sixth st ch 200 71; 10th ch 803 85, for Indian Mission 45 = 848 85; Tabor ch 10; 9th ch Sab-sch to ed two children at Tungehow 100; West Spruce st ch 840 55, for Corisco 5 = 845 55; Calvary ch Sab-sch for Foreign Missy schs 105; Pine st ch 191 51. *Pby of Westminster*—Middle Octorora ch 80, Sab-sch 8 89 = 88 89; Slate Ridge ch 30, Sab-sch 5 = 35; Columbia ch 210 04, Sab-sch 35 52 = 245 56 5,066 50

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Ligonier ch 32. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Monongahela City ch 32 35; 1st ch Pittsburgh 50; Central ch, Pittsburgh 591; Raccoon ch 141 75, Sab-sch 58 50 = 200 25; Mt Pisgah ch 10; Minersville ch 5; Lebanon ch 61 05; East Liberty ch 444. *Pby of Redstone*—Little Red-tone ch 18 50; Dunlap's Creek ch 45; McClellandtown ch 12; Rehoboth ch 64 55. *Pby of Washington*—Second ch Wheeling 100; Waynesburg ch 5; Wellsburg ch 25, Sab-sch 5 = 30. *Pby of West Virginia*—Ravenswood ch 6; Morgantown ch 2 1,697 70

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Holston*—Jonesboro' ch 20, Juvenile Missy Socy to sup Miriam of Boolam 5, Mrs A D Cunningham, Memorial for Persia 5 = 30; Mt Bethel ch 23. *Pby of Kingston*—Mars Hill ch 4. *Pby of Union*—Caledonia ch 5; 1st Ger ch, Galveston 5 67 00

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—First ch West Liberty 9 02; Belle Centre ch 5 25; Buck Creek ch 34; De Graff ch 4. *Pby of Lima*—Shanesville ch 5 50; New Salem ch 1 25; Harrison ch 3 65; Enon Valley ch 5 67 67

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Marathon ch 12; Courland ch 71 28, Sab-sch 25 = 96 23. *Pby of Osego*—Richfield Springs ch 15 50; Associated ch, Batternut 30 08. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Heuvelton ch 10; Stone st ch, Watertown, to con J K Bates *Honorary Director* 100; Canton ch Sab-sch, for native preacher at Gaboon 25. *Pby of Syracuse*—Trinity ch, Manlius 33 82; East Saginaw ch 13; 4th ch Syracuse 125 95; 1st ch Syracuse 155 87 620 51

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—Breckenridge st ch, Buffalo 17 80, Sab-sch 4 70 = 22 50; North ch, Buffalo 100; South Wales ch 12 50; Central ch, Buffalo 82 85; Clarence ch 10; La Fayette st ch, Buffalo 177 38. *Pby of Genesee*—Elba ch 20 20. *Pby of Genesee Valley*—First ch Rushford 7. *Pby of Rochester*—First ch Genesee Village 65 60; 1st ch Mount Morris 62 09; Groveland ch 16 77; Central ch, Genesee 79 56, Sab-sch 14 10 = 93 66; Central ch, Rochester 147 14; St Peters ch, Rochester 45; Ossian ch 2; Dansville ch 100 76; 2d ch Sparta 20, H T McNair, Memorial for ch Tungehow 2 = 22 987 45

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Lake Superior*—Lake Superior ch 3 25. *Pby of Milwaukee*—First ch Beloit 67 76; 2d ch Holland 7; Sab-sch 3 75

= 10 75. *Pby of Winnebago*—Ger ch Mayville 3. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Columbus ch 11; Hazel Green Ger ch 4 55 100 31

Total receipts from churches, \$42,107 35

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Mrs Elizabeth W Lloyd, dec'd, Tiffin, Ohio 308; Estate of Benjamin C Blythe, dec'd, Indianapolis 195 60; Estate of Saml Uter, dec'd, Paris 50; Legacy of William McClintock, dec'd, Pittsburgh, bal 30; Bequest of Miss Sarah Blackburn, dec'd, Salem, Ohio 75; Legacy of Joseph Woods, Nicholas Co, Ky 500; Bequest of Craig Ritchie, dec'd, Canonsburg, Pa, by his son, C Ritchie, Memorial 75 1,233 60

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Total Receipts in March, 1871, \$45,366 65

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Amount previously acknowledged \$40,010 00

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Total, \$726 33

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## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*.

Manuscripts, and communications concerning matter offered for publication, to the Rev. JOHN W. DULLES, *Editorial Secretary*.

Correspondence of Colporteurs, remittances of money, and donations, to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage and Treasurer.

Orders for Books (except from Colporteurs) and Business Correspondence, to Mr. JOHN A. BLACK.

Subscriptions to *The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to Mr. PETER WALKER.

## TO PASTORS AND STATED SUPPLIES.

The time appointed by the General Assembly—the *first Sabbath in May* for the annual collection in its churches in behalf of the *Missionary Fund* of the Board of Publication, is again at hand. We therefore send you this appeal, earnestly entreating you on that day to present this cause to your people and solicit a generous contribution on its behalf. Or should it from any cause be out of your power to take your collection on that particular day, will you do so on the earliest practicable Sabbath afterwards?

In order to give you the facts on which to found your statements to your people, we give you the following outline of the nature of this work as prosecuted by the Board.

## USES OF THIS FUND.

Let it be remembered that these contributions go *exclusively* towards sustaining the *missionary* work of the Board. Its publishing and book-selling department sustains itself wholly by its sales. The collections from the churches are used *only* for the expenses of the Colportage work, and for making gratuitous distributions to needy Sabbath-schools, to mission churches, to pastors, home missionaries, foreign missionaries, &c., &c. During the past twenty years the Board has in these ways, by the help of this Fund, distributed *between two and three millions of religious volumes*, and *over thirty millions of pages of tracts* in every portion of our wide land and in other lands. No mind can calculate or fully comprehend the amount of good accomplished by these seeds of truth thus sown broadcast. The Great Day alone can reveal it all.

The Missionary Fund is established mainly for the purpose of supplying with the publications of the Board those who are without them and not likely to obtain them by any of the ordinary channels of supply. Among these we may mention:

1. *A large majority of our Presbyterian Churches.* How important it is for these to be abundantly supplied with a choice religious literature, especially with a choice Presbyterian literature, such as has a powerful tendency to convert, to enlighten, to sanctify and to edify its readers, every wise and faithful pastor knows. Every such pastor knows how desirable it



is to have in all the households of his congregation, books and tracts which instead of controverting or even ignoring the doctrines of our Church, honor our Standards, explain, illustrate, and defend their teachings, while at the same time they urge upon the conscience the grand truths of salvation by the Cross and the practical duties of life. He knows how active all sorts of errorists are in diffusing among his people fatal falsehood, or misstatements and erroneous views of the teachings of the Bible. He knows, too, how difficult it is to get even into Christian households just the kind of reading he prefers and feels to be most needful for his people. Peculiarly is this the case in the western portions of our land and in congregations remote from the larger cities. By means of its Missionary Fund, which pays the salaries and expenses of its colporteurs, and the cost of the books and tracts they give away, the colporteur passes from congregation to congregation and from house to house, affording to the people the opportunity of supplying themselves with the various publications of the Board, without the trouble of seeking them. In this way most effectively the measure is filled with pure wheat, and the chaff is kept out.

2. *The vast numbers of irreligious people who are living and dying among our churches without enjoying any church privileges.* In every village, town and city there are numerous families who, through their own negligence and lack of love for such privileges, never frequent the house of God, and are not under any special pastoral charge. These are often difficult of access; indeed they are so numerous that no pastor can labor among them and for them all as he would desire. The colporteur, however, may go from house to house among them, leaving with blessed results the numerous publications of the Board adapted to their varied circumstances. Each one of these silent but powerful preachers becomes an effective assistant to the neighboring pastor in his effort to sow broadcast the truths of the gospel.

3. *The still greater masses of people who live beyond the sound of the preacher's voice and the field of his labors.* There are wide reaches of country along our sandy seaboard, among our mountain ranges, on our prairies, and in our western frontier regions, especially in our new Territories, where scattered families and small settlements have no preached gospel. The aggregated number of these sheep living in such moral wildernesses amounts to millions of souls in this vast country. How are they ever to be reached? We have neither enough ministers to go to them all, nor means to send them if they could be had. The only hope of reaching them is by sending the colporteur from house to house to converse with them about their souls' concerns and point them to the Lamb of God, leaving with them books and tracts to show more fully the way of salvation. By the help of its Missionary Fund the Board sends men to do this work.

4. *Many of our ministers need and receive donations from the Fund.* One of the greatest trials of many Domestic Missionaries is to be without books and without means to buy them. *They need and long for refreshment for the mind.* And when they get it, their people at once share the benefits in the improved quality of their preaching. The Board rejoices by the help

of this Fund occasionally to give suitable volumes to our needy ministers for their own use.

But *our ministers need weapons of warfare* as well as intellectual refreshment. Among their people cases of conscience will arise, some peculiarity of religious experience will appear, which some little volume or tract can best meet and direct. A state of religious declension or backsliding occurs: the pastor needs a supply of *awakening* tracts. The Lord sends a revival: he needs other tracts to deepen and *perpetuate impressions*, and to *guide inquirers* to Christ. A controversy will now and then arise with an Arminian, an Immersionist, a Ritualist, or some one else. The pastor needs good reading on these points to *strengthen and fortify* his people. The Board's catalogue contains an ample armory for all such emergencies. Pastors are continually resorting to it to find what they want. But they are usually unable to purchase the books and tracts they need out of their own purses. From its Missionary Fund the Board is glad to give them the needed books and tracts.

5. *Many Sunday-schools need this Fund to aid them.* A little band of faithful but poor teachers somewhere gather a Sunday-school among the ignorant and neglected children of their neighborhood. But they have not and cannot get the money to buy catechisms, hymn-books, music books, Sabbath-school papers, or a suitable library for their school. They must have help from abroad or their efforts will fail. A Domestic Missionary in the far West gathers on his wide field of labor one, two, three or half a dozen Sabbath-schools. But he has no money to spare, and the people are not yet able to give, or trained to give. The literary apparatus for his schools must be obtained elsewhere, or they will have to be abandoned, and he will lose his hold on the rising generation. Where can he go for help? The Board of Publication is his resource. From its Missionary Fund it is always ready to give such aid. During the past year the Board has aided many such needy and mission Sabbath-schools. It would have done far more, had its means been made more ample by contributions from the churches.

6. We will only add here that *the Freedmen need such aid.* Millions of these are to-day exhibiting a wonderful thirst for knowledge. Our Assembly's Freedmen's Committee is sending among them teachers and missionaries as fast as it can, who are sending back numerous and urgent appeals to the Board of Publication for grants of primers, tracts, catechisms, hymn-books, *Sabbath-school Visitors* and other reading matter. The General Assembly has directed the Board to help the Freedmen's Committee in this way: had no such direction been given, the Board would have no heart to refuse. We hope the churches will give us the means to do much more next year.

Such are *some* of the uses of this Missionary Fund. We might particularize much further. Are not these *good* uses? Ought not this Fund to have a liberal collection from *every one* of our churches?

#### WHAT THIS FUND DID LAST YEAR.

We think it may safely be said that a great and noble work has been done

by this Fund during the past year. Let us look at *some* of the things it has done.

1. It has enabled the Board to have in commission 129 colporteurs, for either the whole or portions of the year. They have labored in 18 States and Territories from New-England to the Pacific Coast, besides the Dominion of Canada on our northern frontier, and one in Brazil. They formally report having visited 78,811 families, with the great majority of which they have held prayer and religious conversation. Besides these families, they have conversed with and labored among many thousands of persons by the wayside, and have sown the seed of truth in the most remote and unlikely places, in some of which the foot of the missionary has never trodden. Others may see it and may reap the fruits. But we hear now and then of blessed fruits which have followed.

2. This Fund last year enabled the Board, apart from its regular trade sales, to put into the hands of the people in widely distant parts of the country nearly 90,000 volumes, and over 3,000,000 pages of tracts. Of these over 50,000 volumes and all the tracts were distributed gratuitously. When we reflect upon the contents of these books and tracts, can we doubt that incalculable good has been done.

3. Multitudes of scattered and starving sheep of our Presbyterian fold and of other Christian folds have received spiritual food. Is it not a solemn duty of the Church of Christ to look with especial care after its own scattered members? Many a hungry Christian has thus been fed, many a fainting one thus strengthened, many a backslider reclaimed.

4. Large numbers of mission and needy Sabbath-schools have been aided and strengthened by grants of books. Many of these have declared that the Board's donations had put new life into them and secured for them a successful future, when without such aid they would probably have expired.

5. Thousands of Freedmen have been helped along the pathway of knowledge, and especially of religious knowledge, during the year, by donations from the Fund.

#### WHAT IS DESIRED.

1. In order that this work may go forward and be enlarged, we earnestly appeal to every pastor or stated supply, and to every session of a vacant church, to give us aid *by securing a collection for our Missionary Fund on the FIRST SABBATH IN MAY*. If not possible to do so on that day, then let it be *on the earliest practicable Sabbath afterward*.

2. We appeal to pastors and sessions to aid us in securing a contribution from their Sabbath-schools according to the following resolution adopted by the General Assembly which met in Albany in 1869:

*Resolved.* 4. That the Assembly hereby recommends that collections be taken up in our Sabbath-schools for this Board, and that the funds thus contributed be used in supplying libraries to Sabbath-schools in destitute neighborhoods.



What work could be more appropriate for Sabbath-schools than that of helping other schools less favored than themselves.

Help us, brethren, we entreat you, to scatter more and more abundantly over this land the pages of pure religious truth. Help us to send to famishing and dying multitudes the precious spiritual food which only waits your bidding to be sent to them.

When collections have been taken, it is requested that they be remitted, *as soon as convenient*, to WINTHROP SARGENT, ESQ., *Treasurer of the Board*, No. 1334 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

### NEW BOOKS OF THE BOARD.

**Crystals.** By Anne Maria Mitchell, author of "Freed Boy in Alabama," "Golden Primer," &c. 18mo. Three illustrations. 60 cents.

Around ten thoughtful proverbs, the author has woven sparkling narratives, enforcing the truths which the proverbs contain:

"Which things  
Are crystals to cut life upon,  
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George Wayland is the story of a boy faithful in the discharge of trusts, true and honest, not dallying, not pilfering, nor lying, and teaching the avoidance of these sins.

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The leading story, that of The Missing Boat, is a touching English narrative, showing by example the way of repentance, faith, and forgiveness.

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**The Pilgrim's Progress.** By John Bunyan. Most carefully collated with the edition containing the author's last additions and corrections. 16mo. Twelve illustrations. Price \$1.25.

How many generations have read the *Pilgrim's Progress*, and how many more are yet to read it! When books were very few it was read eagerly, joyfully, in the palaces of the rich and in the cottages of the poor. And now when children's books fall from the press as snow-flakes fall from heaven, the *Pilgrim's Progress* is still read eagerly, joyfully, in the homes of the rich and poor, as it was of old. We cannot have too many editions of it, or circulate it too widely. This edition, with a life of the author, a portrait, and numerous beautiful wood engravings, will be welcomed, and the more from its cheapness for so handsome a volume.

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This book will meet a call often made for a "good book for a young man" better fitted for present use than most of the productions of past generations. Its purpose is to win the young to a life of virtue and happiness by winning

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**Republics, or Popular Government an Appointment of God.** By the Rev. John Crowell, D.D. 16mo. Price \$1.00.

In opposition to the doctrine of "divine right," which has been made

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## BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

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## HOW MUCH GOOD A LITTLE MONEY MAY DO, IN TIME OF NEED.

Amidst the many sad complaints from those who cannot get all the aid which their necessities seem to demand, it is so refreshing to hear expressions of grateful acknowledgment and joyful praise to God for his gracious assistance, that we wish our generous contributors to the Board to participate with us, in our gratification, by the perusal of the following extracts. The first is from a dear brother who has borne the banner of the gospel for many years, and in the face of many difficulties, in distant Oregon.

"You ought to have seen the sparkling eyes and glad faces, when I announced to my people last Sabbath, just before the benediction, that you had sent us \$400 to help to finish our church edifice. It was truly glad news from a far country. The expressions of gratitude after the congregation was dismissed, would have rejoiced your heart, and the members of your noble Board. We were then crowded into our little school house, where we have been worshipping, or *trying* to worship, for the last *twelve* years. We have just finished the plastering, and next comes the painting. We hope soon to be able to dedicate it to the worship of God, and then we shall give a more public notice of it to your—our—Board. We all feel like thanking God and taking courage, especially as we do not intend to let one cent of debt remain upon the building. We have all worked hard to reach this consummation of our prayers and anxious wishes."

Another brother in Iowa says: "From the bottom of my heart I pray that God may bless you and the Board for the prompt manner in which you have furnished the timely aid that we so much needed. Without this assistance it would have been utterly impossible for us to have erected a church building either here or at A—, and without a *building* an organization would have had no prospect of success at either place, but with this generous aid, we have been enabled to plant a Presbyterian church in each of these rapidly growing towns, and with God's blessing, I am confident that both of them will soon become centres of great usefulness, from which we can branch out and establish other churches in the settlements and towns springing up all around us. One year ago, when I held my first religious service in A—, I stood up, behind a flour barrel, with an army blanket thrown over it as my pulpit, I could not find a Presbyterian in the place and very few Christians of any name. Behold what God hath wrought! We are truly glad and thankful."

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## RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

### PRACTICAL SYMPATHY.

The following letter is short, but so much to the point that the example may encourage some whom the Lord has blessed with means, and are *not disabled* to give to the "Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers," &c.

"*Dear Brother,*—Enclosed I send two hundred dollars in draft on New York, as my 'thank-offering' for the blessing of Re-union, to be appropriated to the use of the Fund for the 'Relief of Disabled Ministers,' &c. I am one of the 'disabled,' and sympathize with them, but a kind Providence has recently enabled me to do this much, for which I bless Him."

This is substantial sympathy. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

Presbyteries that have not appointed Standing Committees on the Relief Fund are requested to do so, and to report to the Secretary.

Churches sending contributions will please, hereafter, to name the Presbyteries to which they belong.

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Millville Pres ch	5 00	Norristown, 1st Pres ch	83 92
Anglica Pres ch	10 00	Doylestown Pres ch	31 28
Auburn, 2d Pres ch	25 00	Chester, 1st Pres ch	30 00
Saratoga Springs Pres ch	30 00	Catasauqua, 1st Pres ch	10 95
Rochester, St Peter's Pres ch	45 00	Pittsburgh, W McClintock legacy, refund-	
Little Falls Pres ch	30 00	ed U S tax	30 00
Panama Pres ch	4 25	Philadelphia, Wharton Street ch, in part	6 00
Mount Morris Pres ch	6 35	Deep Run Pres ch	2 25
Ladies Miss Soc, Bald Mt Penn	10 00	Indiana Pres ch	63 80
Salem Pres ch	15 00	Pottsville, 1st Pres ch	21 42
Bloomington Pres ch	2 00	Glade Run Pres ch	20 00
Caledonia Pres ch	13 41	Huntingdon Valley Pres ch	9 00
New York, Fifth Avenue and Nineteenth		Norristown 1st Pres ch, additional	5 00
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South Salem Sab-sch	6 50	West Alexander Pres ch	35 00
Amagansett Pres ch	3 66	Armagh ch 7, Centreville ch 2	9 00
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		Meadville 1st Pres ch	20 00
		Duncannon Pres ch	3 00
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Jamesburg Pres ch	\$40 00		
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Lancaster Pres ch	35 32	Newton Pres ch	2 00
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First German ch, Allegheny	2 00	Cambridge Pres ch	5 77
Beaver Falls Pres ch	17 90	Attica Pres ch	1 00
Bethel and Jacksonville Pres chs	15 00	Logansport, 2d Pres ch	18 00
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Academia Pres ch	4 33	IOWA.	
DELAWARE.		Guthrie Pres ch	\$5 00
Glasgow Pres ch	\$4 48	West Liberty Pres ch	3 00
Wilmington, Hanover Street Pres ch	43 97	Muscataine Pres ch	15 00
MARYLAND.		Burlington, 1st Pres ch	15 00
Baltimore, 1st Pres ch	\$250 00	Dubuque, 1st German Pres ch	5 00
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Baltimore, 2d Pres ch	3 00	KENTUCKY.	
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Washington, 1st Pres ch	\$25 60	Burlington Pres ch	20 00
Georgetown, Bridge Street Pres ch	33 67	MICHIGAN.	
OHIO.		Leland Pres ch	\$2 00
Monroeville Pres ch	\$11 00	MINNESOTA.	
Shelby Pres ch	8 50	Stillwater, 1st Pres ch	\$15 00
Trenton Pres ch	5 00	Utica Pres ch	1 50
Brownsville Pres ch	7 00	MISSOURI.	
Muskingum Pres ch	10 00	Springfield, Calvary Pres ch	\$39 75
Bellair 1st Pres ch	15 17	Jefferson City, Rev J R Agnew	10 00
Lexington Pres ch	13 00	WISCONSIN.	
Portsmouth, 1st German ch	8 00	Oconto Pres ch	\$10 49
Dayton, Third Street Pres ch	207 51	Highland Pres ch	5 00
Pleasant Ridge Pres ch	10 27	Milwaukee, 1st Holland Pres ch	5 00
Belle Centre Pres ch	6 50	KANSAS.	
Cincinnati, 7th Pres ch	67 65	Washington, 1st Pres ch	\$1 00
Madison Pres ch	5 00	Iola Pres ch	27 60
Mt Eaton Pres ch	5 00	TENNESSEE.	
Jas Russell, North Jackson	10 00	Mar's Hill Pres ch	\$1 00
ILLINOIS.		LOUISIANA.	
Knoxville Pres ch	\$28 20	New Orleans, 1st German Pres ch	\$10 00
Oquawka Pres ch	11 20	OREGON.	
Camp Point, 1st Pres ch	11 00	Portland, Gen E B Babbitt	\$20 00
Yates City Pres ch	10 00	NEW MEXICO.	
Lexington Pres ch	5 00	Las Vegas Pres ch	\$2 00
Odin Pres ch	3 20	Total,	\$9125 70
Piper City Pres ch	6 00	CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer,	
Camden Mills Sab-sch	4 00	Office, No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.	
Streator Pres ch	8 00		
Rock Island, 1st Pres ch	17 15		
Galconda Pres ch	3 00		
INDIANA.			
Indianapolis, 3d Pres ch	\$56 81		

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				\$3082 75

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## EMBARRASSED STILL.

The amount of money needed for the relief and conducting of the work of our Committee has not been received ; hence it is still greatly embarrassed, and our earnest request is, that churches hitherto delinquent, or tardy in their collections for the year closing April 30th, will not fail to do their part speedily.

**EAGERNESS TO LEARN.**—A teacher in Tennessee writes : “ Six married women come daily, with their children. One with a large family, says, ‘ I get up in the morning and fly around and get breakfast by daylight, so as to get to school agin’ nine o’clock, and then I take the two youngest over to—’ a neighbor’s—‘ and set ’em on the floor, and they sit there till I come back at recess.’ ”

A teacher in Virginia writes : “ One little boy only nine years of age, learned, in less than two weeks, the 14th and 15th chapters of Exodus without one mistake, and when he came to the song of deliverance, he appeared more like an inspired being than a little mortal. A white gentleman present told me he never heard anything like it. You may be sure that my heart is full of gratitude to the kind Father, who has so signally blessed my poor labors. Now let us pray to the Lord of the harvest to send us some *money*, so this great and important work may go on. I hope you will not think me a fanatic. It is only that I am thoroughly in earnest, and every day that I remain here, makes me more and more in earnest. If some of the wealthy people in the North could come here, and see how rapidly these children learn, I am sure they would not withhold.”

Another in Tennessee writes : “ Oh, Mr. McClelland, we are indulging some hope that Miss S—— may yet be returned by our Board to where she taught three months last summer. The colored people there keep coming and sending word to me to write and see if she can not be had if they will raise \$100 dollars, and pay her board beside. They *may* raise \$125, but pledge themselves to raise \$100, and to send immediately \$50 to her.”

**RELIGIOUS INTEREST**—in the church and school at Maryville, Tenn. A quiet, but deep work of grace has been in progress here for some time, and did space permit, incidents of special interest might be narrated—particularly as to its influence in the school. *Twenty-six* have been added to the church, of whom *nineteen* are scholars.

## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN MARCH, 1871.

Leechburg ch, Presby of Kittanning	\$21 80	W F Wood, Presby of Chicago	25 00
Sinking Valley ch, Presby of Huntingdon	1 00	Clinton ch, Presby of Utica	28 87
Kirkville ch, Presby of Palmyra	2 00	Sab-sch of Summit ch, Presby of Elizabeth	10 00
Kirkville Sab-sch, Presby of Palmyra	2 00	Galena Ger ch, Freeport, Ill	2 00
Beaver ch, Presby of Allegheny	17 50	Constantia ch, Presby of Syracuse	8 00
First ch Aledo, Ill	6 00	Wabash ch, Muncie, Ind	17 00
Mercersburg ch, Pa	15 00	Rondout ch, Presby of North River	60 00
Jeromeville ch, Presby of Wooster	5 00	Carlisle ch, Presby of Albany	15 00
Cameron ch, Presby of Yadkin	2 25	Esperance ch, Presby of Albany	7 00
Logan ch, Presby of Yadkin	75	Tamaqua ch, Presby of Lehigh	10 00

Lonaconing ch, Presby of Baltimore	3 60	Wheeling Valley ch, Presby of St Clairsville	3 20
Barton ch, Pres of Baltimore	3 90	New Athens ch, Presby of St Clairsville	10 30
Twelfth ch, Presby of Baltimore	10 00	First ch Morris, Ill	14 35
West Mendon ch, Honeoye Falls, Presby of Rochester	5 15	Concord ch, Ohio	8 50
"Dee"	3 00	Sab-sch of Lane Seminary ch, Presby of Cincinnati	50 00
Lodi ch, Presby of Columbus	2 10	Ouskany ch, Presby of Utica	2 00
Belvidere 2d ch, Presby of Newton	25 00	First German ch, New Orleans, La	5 00
First ch Fort Wayne, Ind	122 25	Jas Russell, North Jackson, Ohio	10 00
Pomeroy ch, Presby of Athens	17 75	High st ch, St Louis, Mo	25 00
First ch New Castle, Pa	30 00	Sab-sch of St Peters ch, Presby of Rochester	30 00
Mrs E Buckingham, Chicago, Ill, for Scotia Seminary	200 00		
Lake Prairie ch, Ind	10 00		\$3,431 10
West Liberty ch, Presby of Washington	6 50	<i>Money received and expended in the Field.</i>	
Madison ch, Presby of Steubenville	5 00	<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Charleston ch 185; Edisto ch 6; St Andrews ch 1 30; Salem ch 5; St Paul ch 1 75; Knox Plantation sch 7 70; Wallingford Academy 35 55; Wallingford ch 7; John's Island ch 8	
First ch West Farms, Presby of West Chester	16 00	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte sch 19 69; Concord sch 4	
First ch, Blue Earth City, Minn	5 00	<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Chester sch	
Tennent ch, Presby of Monmouth	10 00	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Morristown sch 12 60; Greenville sch 11 55	
Boonton ch, Presby of Rockaway	26 00	<i>Pby of Knoxville</i> —Atlanta ch 13; Dalton ch 4; Williams sch 9 50	
Houston and Thompson st ch, New York	4 00	<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Louisville ch	
First ch Franklin, Presby of Otsego	14 65	<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch 15; Raleigh sch 8	
Hyde Park ch, Presby of Chicago	35 00	<i>Pby of Union</i> —East Knoxville sch 6 75; Knoxville sch 1 10; New Market sch 7 70; Strawberry Plains sch 13	
Bellevue ch, Presby of Westminster	7 83	<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Greensboro' ch and sch 7 50; Lexington sch 1 75; Salisbury ch and sch 8 50; Statesville ch and sch 9; Mocksville ch and sch 4 55; Mt Vernon ch 4 21; Mebaneville sch 1 65	
First Ger ch Allegheny, Presby of Allegheny	2 00	<i>No Presbyterial Connection.</i> —	
Centralia ch, Ill (Memorial)	5 00	Russell Grove, Va, sch 1 20; Fredericksburg, Va, sch 6 40; Winchester sch 4 25	
Shelby ch, Presby of Wooster	8 81		
Third ch Trenton, N J	39 12		
Sab-sch Mission Asso'n of 3d ch Elizabeth, Presby of Elizabeth, for support of Mrs Stearns	50 00		
Harmony ch, Presby of Baltimore	9 05		
Conshohocken ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	4 00		
Galena South ch, Presby of Rock River	31 67		
Flemington ch, Presby of New Brunswick	66 00		
Uniontown ch, Presby of Redstone	40 20		
Sab-sch 1st ch Chester, Presby of Chester	10 00		
Member of 2d ch Phila, Presby of Philadelphia	75 00		
Red Mills ch, N Y	6 29		
Miss H C Torrence, Salem ch, Presby of Blairsville	5 00		
Bethel and Jacksonville chs, Presby of Kittanning	20 00		
Louisburg sch, Presby of Yadkin	5 60		
Glade Run ch, Presby of Kittanning	5 00		
J F Ann, and Bell Grubb, 1st ch Mercer, Pa	25 00		
Upper Indiana ch, Vincennes, Ind	5 00		
Mrs Sarah E Gordon, Eureka, Kan (Scotia Seminary)	5 00		
Phelps, Dodge & Co, New York, for Lincoln University	456 50		
Phelps, Dodge & Co, New York, for Biddle Institute	600 00		
First ch Baltimore, Md	300 00		
First ch Chicago, Presby of Chicago	167 13		
First ch Sandusky, Ohio	13 00		
New Cumberland ch, Presby of Washington	15 00		
Rehoboth ch, Presby of Redstone	15 40		
Johnstown ch, Presby of New York	15 84		
Ladies' Home Mission Soc'y of Johnstown, Presby of New York	20 00		
Mingo ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	26 55		
Calvary ch, Presby of S W Missouri	9 00		
New Salem, Presby of Allegheny	10 50		
West Arch st ch, Presby of Philadelphia Central	56 40		
Rev P S Cleland, Topeka, Kan	10 00		
Fairview ch, Presby of Chester	8 00		
Apple Creek ch, Presby of Wooster	21 00		
New Plymouth ch, Presby of Chillicothe	5 00		
Plain Grove ch, Presby of Butler	23 50		
Rev P Hassinger and wife, Alton, Ill	5 00		
Gorham ch, N Y	10 50		
East Avenue ch, Schenectady, N Y	7 70		
Brownsville ch, Presby of Zanesville	6 00		
New York Mills ch, Presby of Utica	97 00		
Pulaski ch, Presby of Shanango	4 23		
Calvary ch, colored, Presby of Tennessee	5 00		
Jackson ch, Presby of Wooster	10 00		
Mt Eaton ch, Presby of Wooster	7 00		
Morristown ch, Presby of St Clairsville	5 25		
First ch Oswego, N Y	53 20		
Lexington ch, Presby of Bloomington	20 00		
West Liberty ch, Iowa	1 50		
Birmingham ch, Pa	25 00		

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

ABSTRACT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

In summing up the statistics furnished by this Report we trust there will be found ample occasion for the whole Church to give thanks to God for what he has accomplished by our endeavors for the good of Zion during the year.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE WORK.

Our work has considerably enlarged during the year. Home Missionary Reports of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church last year contained the names of 1148 missionaries. This year our Report contains the names of 1230 missionaries, being an increase of nearly one hundred. But this number makes nearly one-third of the whole ministerial force of our Church.

In one view of the case we could say that we can surely claim to be eminently a Missionary Church, that the means contributed to sustain so large a body of men must show how deeply penetrated are the hearts of God's people with a desire to give the Gospel to all the destitute places in our own land. In another view it might be said, that when only two-thirds of the preaching force in our great Church can find self-sustaining fields of labor, it proves a deplorable weakness in the body as a whole, however strong some of its parts may be.

THE CONDITION OF OUR FINANCES has been less satisfactory. The balance in the treasury of the Board at the close of the last fiscal year was \$65,037.59, and in that of the Committee \$9194.19, an aggregate of \$74,231.78. We close the year covered by this Report with a balance of \$29.28. Last year the receipts from all sources were \$300,599.69; this year they have been \$281,945.82. But our expenses this year have been \$352,844.23, which is \$70,898.41 in excess of our receipts.



It is but just to the churches to say that the difference in receipts between this year and the last is due to the difference in legacies alone. Churches and individuals have contributed this year \$250,184.92; last year \$233,887.67. But while the Board and the Committee received last year \$66,712.02 in legacies, we have received this year only \$31,760.90—difference \$34,951.12.

#### THE PRESENT OUTLOOK.

Let no one suppose that we are counselling any reductions of Home Missionary work. Far from it. We are only counselling the equalization of burdens, that we may make our endeavors keep pace with the growing demand. We should not dare advise that any of the work should cease. We should fear that we were proving recreant to the commands of the Head of the Church, who has said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature"—a command which should be binding, though the world seemed shut against us, but doubly binding now when the whole world is open to receive the truth. Never were grander opportunities for the extension of the Church than now. In Minnesota the supply of missionaries has fallen fifteen behind the demand for the past year. The same is true of Kansas, which calls for an equal number. In Nebraska, 18,000 homesteads were taken last year, and 2,700,000 acres of her choicest lands were sold to actual settlers; and the present year is undoubtedly to surpass any previous year in the increase of her population.

No previous year has witnessed such a wonderful enlargement of the railway system. A distinguished statesman says, "The railroad development of the United States is one of the most wonderful of the wondrous incidents in its history, and one of the most potential elements of its extraordinary advance in all that makes a nation great. The locomotive is not only the civilizer, but the developer of new States and Territories. Build a railroad, and wherever stern Nature does not positively prohibit it, immigration is invited, villages and cities spring up \* \* \* \* and the waste places are isolated and solitary no more."

But these projected railways must of necessity enhance the value of the whole Pacific coast as a missionary field; for all these larger enterprises give an impetus to smaller undertakings, branching roads, that stretch out their arms in every direction.

Of the 8,000,000 increase of our population during the last decade, 5,000,000 are supposed to be west of the Mississippi. One hundred post-offices a month were established, mostly at the West, during eight months of the past year.

How clear is our duty, then, to do our share in the work of evangelization, till the distant West shall be as thickly planted with churches as Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, in the central West; until both the farther West and the central West shall be as the most favored States of the East.

953 Missionaries only have sent in their statistical Reports, from which it appears, that 156 churches have been formed during the year; 5258 persons have been hopefully converted; 6080 have united with the Church on profession and 4937 by letter. 156 church edifices have been built; 168

have been repaired or enlarged—church debts to the amount of \$228,627 have been cancelled.

1378 Sabbath-schools are reported, 340 of which were organized during the year, and they all have more than 90,000 members; six missionaries have died during the year.

#### FROM DISTRICT MISSIONARY IN WISCONSIN.

*Dear Brethren,*—In presenting to you my annual Report, I notice the following items:—

1. *Churches organized on my field*, four—Appleton, Oshkosh, Amsterdam, and Mendota (or Lewis Valley). The two former churches were organized by myself with the help of brethren on the field. The two latter by the Committee of the Presbytery of Chippewa within its bounds. Other points are opening where churches will be formed at an early day, but are not yet ready. The last two churches do not increase the expenses of the Board, but rather diminish. The two former churches are at very important points, in large and growing towns, and will early become self-sustaining.

2. *Churches that have united with our Presbyteries from other bodies.*—Somers, Lima, Neshonoc, Baraboo Congregational church, and Beaver Dam first church, five churches. The first and last were connected with the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin. Lima came from the Reformed Presbyterian church, and was the only church of that order in Wisconsin. Neshonoc came from the United Presbyterian Church. These are all good accessions to us. The Baraboo Congregational church became Presbyterian, joined the Presbytery, and then asked to be consolidated with the first Presbyterian church of Baraboo, which was done, making the latter church a strong one, now very harmonious.

3. *Churches consolidated*, the result of Reunion.—The North and first Presbyterian churches of Milwaukee were united and took the name of the "Immanuel church." The first and second

Presbyterian churches of Neenah were united under the name of the First Presbyterian church of Neenah. The union of the first and second Presbyterian churches of Baraboo, I mention above.

4. *Vacant churches supplied.*—Over thirty vacant churches have been supplied during the year, on my field, most of which I have supplied personally.

5. *Present vacancies.*—Jefferson, Cambria, Poynette and Lowville, Chippewa Falls, Cambridge, Neillsville, Bayfield, and a few very small and feeble churches, for which it is impossible to get a minister, or support one there, if we had him. The first four mentioned, I hope soon to supply with men who give me encouragement that they will come. Prairie du Sac, Galesville, and North Bend will probably soon be vacant. For the two first I think I have found a supply; this leaves but four or five churches now vacant, excepting the very feeble ones mentioned above.

6. *New points to occupy.*—Within the bounds of Chippewa Presbytery, which is a comparatively new portion of our State, there are several places where we could place missionaries immediately if we had them, and where there is much to encourage. Ellsworth and Trimbell would be a good field, but we cannot organize till we get the minister. In the vicinity of Neillsville there are points that might be combined with that place if we could induce a minister to go there. The new railroads now in process of construction, which are opening the new portions of the State, will develop many new towns along their lines, especially in the northern part of the State. We ought to be able to take possession promptly.



7. *Revivals*.—At no time in the past have so many of our churches been visited with refreshings from on high as during the past year. This has seemed to be a "Memorial Year," spiritually, in Wisconsin. In some of the churches wonderful results have been witnessed. Very feeble churches have been greatly strengthened. In some the work has been mostly confined to the membership, developing their piety, with a few conversions. On the whole this year has been one of decided advancement to our church in Wisconsin. There is very general harmony, both in the churches and between minister and people. Many of the churches have come to feel their responsibility to work for the Master, as they have not been wont to feel in the past the fruit of the reviving influences enjoyed.

8. *Benevolence*.—This has been an uncommonly bad year to our churches, pecuniarily. Not a few have had to struggle with embarrassment. They could barely meet their pledges to their ministers, and some have failed in that. I have done what I could to secure their contributions to our Home Board, and I think most of them have made their annual collections, though many of them are small. On the Memorial Fund I think our churches in Wisconsin will average at least \$10 per member.

*The Outlook*.—Our church's interests look brighter than ever before in Wisconsin. There is a manifest deeper sense of responsibility to meet the duties we owe our own church. There is, too, more of an aggressive spirit manifest. A *permanent ministry* is desired now by the churches. There are fewer changes. The Reunion has greatly strengthened our body and encouraged us. It works well here. Our church is hopeful. Our churches are increasing generally in membership, ministers are paid better, and a better class of men are at work among us. In many of our Home Mission churches there is an increasing purpose to become self-sustaining. There are but few of

our churches, but have a comfortable place of worship. A few will build in a year or two.

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### MISSOURI.

*Dear Brethren*,—Yesterday closed another quarter of ministerial labor with me in North St. Louis. As usual it has been a quarter of hard work and also of encouragement. Two weeks ago yesterday Brothers Dickey and Kessler came up, according to the appointment of Presbytery, and organized our church, or what is now known as the "Fairmount Presbyterian church," with seventeen members; eight by letter and nine on profession of their faith. G. M. C—— and E—— M—— were elected elders and duly ordained and installed, and W. L. E. S—— deacon. Brother C—— has long been a member of North church; but being nearer us and being a man of a missionary spirit he felt it his duty to come in with us, which we can but regard as a good providence. Brother M—— is also a Presbyterian of long standing from the first church, who has lately removed to our part of the city. We consider ourselves very fortunate in our eldership and now we are ready to go forward as a church. Thus the chaos which I found here one year and nine months ago is slowly crystallizing into shape, and I am beginning to feel as if I had a people once more. One can hardly realize the feelings of a minister, who has been wont to have a *people*, to be without one; really the very thought of having a people once more as it began to come over me brought tears of joy to my eyes, though a little flock of only seventeen; yet so long have I been without what I could call a people that the thought quite overwhelmed me. Yesterday a call was issued for a church and society meeting to take measures towards securing and supporting a pastor. I desire to submit this matter to the people as soon as possible, so that they may feel the weight of responsibility in this matter. Hitherto they have had no responsibility in the matter whatso-



ever, but have simply taken such as were sent them, and asked no questions and felt no responsibility. I now desire, if I am to remain longer than this year with them, that they shall signify their desire to have it so, and invite me themselves and so assume a part of my support. Not that they will be able to do more than has been done in the past, perhaps, for they are all persons of small means; but hitherto what has been done has been done by individuals here and there, who were interested in the enterprise. A few on the field, but more out of it, like Mr. McI—, and Mr. S—, when alive, and others. There are a few others whom I think will come in soon, who were not quite ready when we organized.

Yours truly.

#### NORTHWEST IOWA, NEBRASKA, AND DACOTA.

There is an urgent demand for missionary labor in this region. The country is filling up rapidly. Settlers are coming by the thousand. We have no Presbyterian minister between here and Brother Phillips at Fort Dodge, a distance of one hundred and thirty-five miles. We have two feeble organizations on this line, but they are without stated preaching. North of us there is no Presbyterian church in the State. In the whole Territory of Dakota, now developing fast, there is no Presbyterian church excepting at the Indian Missions. Only one church in Northern Nebraska, the little band at Ponca, where Brother Clark is toiling faithfully.

Please, brethren, in your plans for aggressive operations, do not forget Northwestern Iowa and Dakota. That great and promising Territory, soon to be a powerful State, has no one to plead for it. I, as its nearest neighbor, must speak for it. I am satisfied that we might have established churches with very hopeful prospects at two or three points last summer, if we had been able to put a man on the ground. The Congregationalists are quite ahead of us. They have several churches

already, one at Yankton, one at Vermillion, one at Canton, and I think one or two others. We ought surely to plant a flag there this year. I will do all I can for the country about me, but the labors of my own charge so entirely consume my time and strength that I cannot go abroad very much. I have, however, in the last year preached at five different places in Iowa outside of my own charge, and four places in Nebraska.

Pray for us, brethren. Remember our needs and help us as you have opportunity.

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#### WISCONSIN.

*Dear Sir,*—I hereby submit my fourth and last report for the year ending May 1st, 1871. Since my last report we have not only kept up our regular services twice every Sabbath, and prayer-meeting on Thursday night, but we have had extra meetings for five weeks every night. These were held in union with three other churches, and were attended with considerable interest. Many were awakened, and it is believed some fifty or sixty have been converted.

The churches were much quickened and old difficulties settled. We have received to our communion ten already, and expect to receive ten or twelve more at our next communion.

We have cleared off the last dollar of indebtedness on the church, and have started a memorial parsonage.

Our Sabbath-school is increasing. Our prayer-meetings are well attended, better than ever before. Our evening congregations are the best in the village, largely made up of young people.

Financially our church seems to be weaker; times are very hard here, and several of our families have recently emigrated to Kansas.

I have been trying to get our people to ask no more aid from your Committee, but I find they will not be able to do so entirely this year. In reality this is not and ought not to be missionary ground. Fewer churches and better support is what we need here; but still

every one clings to one's own denomination. So we must go on and do the best we can. On the whole I can report progress. I trust I shall be able to do more in the country next year; where churches demand two preaching services on the Sabbath it is impossible to do any thing. During the summer you cannot get people out at night in the country: the winter months are the most favorable.

#### WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

This is a missionary field in every particular. I have labored here for almost thirteen years. At last the day begins to dawn on this country. The Northern Pacific Railroad terminus is about to be located on the shores of Puget Sound. People are coming in here from every land. Soon this will be a densely populated district; if we can judge anything from the movements of capitalists. Property here has advanced within the last year from one hundred to one thousand per cent. I would be glad to state that religion was keeping pace with the onward march of worldly business and secular prosperity. Candor compels me to state that it lags behind. I sometimes feel like giving up and leaving this land, and at other times I am encouraged.

One revival of religion in 1866; fifty-three persons then professed to be converted and to have received the pardon of their sins. Some, perhaps one-half, have proved faithful, as far as we can

discover. The other half seem to have been only awakened, and not regenerated by the operation of the Holy Spirit.

#### MICHIGAN.

Our experience during the past year has not been of a very elating nature, nor has it been such, that in looking back upon it we have felt that we should be discouraged. The past winter which should have been a harvest time with us, has not been more so, partly at least, because our church has been in such a crippled condition. With both our elders away from us, our Sabbath-school superintendent sick for months, some of our best workers laid up at home, or away spending the winter, we have felt that to hold our own was all we might expect to do. And yet we have done more than this. Our Sunday-school has not decreased in interest, and some from its ranks have been gathered into the church. Our prayer-meetings have increased in interest and numbers. The little handful that has been able to gather around their pastor have been quickened and built up. I believe the church feels much more settled and strong from the fact that during the past year it has had a pastor installed over it. So that while we feel that our growth has been slow, we hope it has been sure. None have been removed from our church roll by death, and three have removed in changing their place of residence.

#### HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN APRIL, 1871.

S. N. Hutchison, Salt Point ch., N. Y.  
J. S. Howell, Elin Point ch., Ill.  
J. S. Davis, Bethel ch., Ill.  
Anson Smythe, Cleveland North ch., Ohio.  
J. A. Skinner, Cleveland Memorial ch., Ohio.  
E. P. Marvin, Lockport Second Ward ch., N. Y.  
C. H. Rodney, Absecon, Soner's Point, and Leed's Point chs., N. J.  
W. G. Hillman, Baltimore, South ch., Md.  
W. B. Brown, Cloyd's Creek and Unitia chs., Tenn.  
L. D. Wells, Bedford and Francisville ch., Ind.  
John A. Campbell, Rossville and Jefferson chs., Ind.  
E. S. Harvey, Riverview Mission, Ill.  
Jas. Welch, West Point and Pilot Grove chs., Ill.  
John C. Downer, Kimmswick, Pevely, Hanover, and Hillsboro' chs., Mo.  
J. A. Whitaker, Jefferson City ch., Mo.

A. M. Millar, Constable and Burke chs., N. Y.  
C. H. Chester, West Dresden ch., N. Y.  
A. Snashall, Hannibal ch., N. Y.  
Geo. I. Taylor, Malta ch., N. Y.  
John W. Lane, Rushford ch., N. Y.  
Timothy Williston, Oneida Lake ch., N. Y.  
S. A. Freeman, West Mendon ch., N. Y.  
G. P. Noble, Malden ch., N. Y.  
A. Bosworth, Ontario ch., N. Y.  
E. Wood, Brownville and Dexter chs., N. Y.  
P. F. Leavens, Passaic ch., N. J.  
S. W. Duffield, Claremont ch., N. J.  
J. T. H. Waite, Tom's River ch., N. J.  
D. L. Dickey, Irwin's Station ch., Pa.  
Wm. Prideaux, Beulah ch., Pa.  
A. W. Knowlton, Strongsville ch., Ohio.  
David Kingery, Columbus, Hoge ch., Ohio.  
W. C. Smith, Urbana 1st ch., Ill.



A. W. Sanford, Wyandotte ch., Mich.  
 S. E. Wishard, East Saginaw ch., Mich.  
 L. W. Chapman, Winona ch., Mich.  
 Benj. Welles, Farmington, Vermilion, and Empire chs., Minn.  
 R. G. Jones, Le Seur 2d and Rice Lake, Welsh chs., Minn.  
 Richard Davies, Watonwan Co., Welsh ch., Minn.  
 W. R. Smith, Butler Centre and Pisgah chs., Iowa.  
 J. P. Schell, Lime Creek and Geneseo chs., Iowa.  
 J. D. Mason, Long Grove and Summit chs., Iowa.  
 H. Hill, Holden ch., Mo.  
 Duncan Brown, Warsaw ch., Mo.  
 J. Spencer, Irondale ch., Mo.

A. C. Poage, Pacific City ch., Mo.  
 S. D. Loughhead, Neodesha ch., Kan.  
 H. H. Cambren, Osage Mission, La Dore, and Parsons chs., Kan.  
 W. G. Thomas, Washington ch. and vicinity, Kan.  
 Charles Parker, Frankfort ch., Kan.  
 H. Neill Jr., Shickshinny ch., Pa.  
 C. K. Campbell, Lehman and North Moreland ch., Pa.  
 T. B. McLeod, Troy Grove ch., Ill.  
 W. Tate Gibson for Minn.  
 John D. Jones, East St. Louis ch., Ill.  
 H. H. Hunter, James Island, Freedmen, S. C.  
 I. N. Shepherd, Raleigh, Freedmen, Tenn.

### RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN APRIL, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Albany 2d ch 297 67; Gloversville ch 30. *Pby of Champlain*—Moore's ch 25; Beekmantown ch 13 30. *Pby of Columbia*—Valatie ch 25. *Pby of Troy*—Troy 1st ch, Ladies 125; Green Island 1st ch 10; Sandy Hill ch 42 50; Mechanicsville ch 9

\$577 47

SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Catawba*—Poplar Tent ch 10; Concord ch 10; Bellefonte ch 7; Bethpage ch 3. *Pby of East Florida*—Jacksonville 1st ch 50. *Pby of Yadin*—Statesville ch 2

82 00

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Westminster ch, Baltimore 65, of which 30 a balance, and 35 Memorial, (Sallie Mackenzie 25, Mrs Dr Jas Mackenzie 10); 2d ch Baltimore, a balance 31; Churchville ch 21 68. *Pby of New Castle*—West ch, Wilmington 100; Rehoboth ch 17 46. *Pby of Washington City*—Washington 4th ch 75; Washington 6th ch Miss'y Soc'y 30; Clifton ch 9

349 14

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Mt Auburn ch 124 03; 1st Ger ch, Cincinnati 25; Monterey ch 4; Glendale ch, a balance 6 80; 7th ch Cincinnati, Memorial, from two members 10. *Pby of Dayton*—Third St ch, Dayton 300. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Sandy Spring and Rome chs 15

484 83

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Brecksville ch 6 75; Western Reserve College ch 35; Northfield ch 10. *Pby of Mahoning*—Canton ch 58 25; New Lisbon 1st ch 30. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Wegee ch 15. *Pby of Steubenville*—Steubenville 2d ch 159, of which Sab-sch 59 and I Trumbull 50, Memorial; Perry ch 4 30; East Springfield ch 17; Bacon Ridge ch 29

364 30

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Amesville ch 10; New England ch 5. *Pby of Columbus*—Lancaster ch 8. *Pby of Marion*—Kingston ch 5; Pisgah ch 5; Berlin ch 12. *Pby of Wooster*—Apple Creek ch 37; Jeromeville ch, Isaac Buchanan 10, Memorial; West Eaton ch 5 16. *Pby of Zanesville*—Fairmount ch 5

104 16

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Sewickley ch, Rev E S Blake, Memorial 10. *Pby of Erie*—Concord ch 7. *Pby of Kittanning*—Mt Pleasant ch 9; Kittanning 1st ch 262 56, of which Sab-sch 57 56, and two members, Memorial 205; Marion and Rockbridge chs 15. *Pby of Shenango*—Mt Pleasant ch 30 85

334 41

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Port Byron ch 20; Springfield ch 8. *Pby of Chemung*—Elmira 1st ch 41 24. *Pby of Geneva*—Ithaca 1st ch 32 95. *Pby of Steuben*—Jasper ch 6 50; Woodhull 1st ch 13 62

122 31

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Green Hill ch 21; Wells Valley ch 10; Fayetteville ch 18; Buffalo and Upper chs 30; Dickinson ch 15; Harrisburg 1st ch, add'l 43 12, of which Miss Agnes Crain 20; McConnellsburg ch 34. *Pby of Huntingdon*—One-half Presbyterial Collection 25; Lower Tuscarora ch 55 55; Saxton ch 6; Lewistown ch 246 06. *Pby of Northumberland*—Lycoming Centre ch 20; Centralia ch 6; Pennsdale ch 5; Northumberland 1st ch 14; Berwick and Brier Creek chs 20; Shomokintown ch 15 96, of which Sab-sch 7 07; Milton ch 200; Warrior Run ch 33. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Beecher's Island ch 4 80; Farmington ch 3 41

827 90

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Rossville ch 15 50; Monticello and Bement chs 8. *Pby of Peoria*—Washington ch 5; Lewistown ch 30. *Pby of Schuyler*—Young America ch Sab-sch 10; Macomb ch 44; Wythe ch 8 36; Hamilton ch 6 40; Rev A F Ashley 50. *Pby of Springfield*—Jacksonville 1st ch 150

327 28

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Joliet Central ch 9; Chicago 1st ch Sab-sch 70 30; Fullerton Ave ch, Chicago 50; Joliet 1st ch 45 25. *Pby of Freeport*—Rev J W Cunningham 50, Memorial. *Pby of Rock River*—Edgington ch, Mrs Anna Linn 5, Memorial; Rock Island ch 31 54; Pleasant Ridge ch 4, Memorial 265 09

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Sparta 1st ch 50; St John's Ger ch Sab-sch 2 50. *Pby of Cairo*—America ch 3; Carbondale 1st ch 5. *Pby of Mattoon*—Edgewood ch 3; Sullivan ch 3 66 50

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—State Line ch 3; Mansfield ch 2; Centre ch, Crawfordsville, Col H B Carrington 20; Oxford ch, a balance 2. *Pby of Logansport*—South Bend ch 15; Sumptions Prairie ch 5; Rochester ch 50; Rockfield ch 5. *Pby of Muncie*—Jonesboro' ch 1; Xenia ch 1

107 00

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Indianapolis 2d ch, a balance 26 50. *Pby of New Albany*—Utica ch 4 75; Rehoboth ch 6. *Pby of Vincennes*—Bethany ch 7; Petersburg ch 5 49 25

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Dubuque*—Bellevue ch 4 45; Frankville ch 5. *Pby of Waterloo*—Cedar Valley ch 1 50; Albion ch 28 75; Union ch 2 50; Cedar Falls ch 9; Steamboat Rock ch 10; Butler Centre ch 16 35; Pisgah ch 6 10

83 65

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Leon and Decatur City chs 5; Indianola 1st ch 8 25; Des Moines Central ch 59 25; Moulton ch 5. *Pby of Iowa*—Shiloh ch 4; Montrose ch 15. *Pby of Iowa City*—Brighton ch 5. *Pby of Missouri River*—Ponca ch 8; Mattoon ch 42

151 50

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Colorado*—Boulder Valley ch 23 50, of which Sab-sch 16 50; Stuart ch, Denver 21 55; Georgetown ch 70. *Pby of Neosho*—Mission City ch 19; Iola ch 50. *Pby of Topeka*—Baldwin City ch 29 95; Black Jack ch 8 55; Vineland ch 11 50

234 05

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Louisville*—Hopkinsville ch 120, of which 100, Memorial 120 00

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St 47 92; Throop Ave ch, mon coll 19 31; Lawrence St ch, Brooklyn 15. *Pby of Long Island*—Sag Harbor ch 34 60; Greenport ch 50. *Pby of Nassau*—Foster's Meadow ch 5

171 83

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Jefferson Ave ch, Detroit 554 18; Plainfield ch 5 63; White Lake ch 12. *Pby of Lansing*—Mason ch 50. *Pby of Monroe*—Erie ch 12; Adrian 1st ch 175; Clayton ch 10; Dover ch 6. *Pby of Saginaw*—Woodhull ch 8; Midland City ch 15

847 81

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Dakota*—Yankton Agency ch 2. *Pby of Mankato*—Winnebago City ch 15. *Pby of St Paul*—Empire ch 1; West Florence ch 3 55; Goodhue ch 4 45. *Pby of Winona*—Preston ch 4 34; Fillmore ch 3 64; Eyota ch 3

36 98

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Ozark*—Mt Zion ch 50; Bolivar ch 5; Urbana ch 5; Little Osage ch



7. *Pby of Osage*—Sugar Creek ch 5. *Pby of Palmyra*—New Providence ch 13 40; Grantville ch 1 50; Lead Creek ch 6 20, of which Bowling Green 3 30; Memphis ch 3 20; Williamstown ch 2. *Pby of Platte*—Chillicothe ch 25; Osborn ch 3. *Pby of St Louis*—Bethel ch 5; St Charles ch 10 141 30

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Corisco*—Benita ch 6; Evangelinba ch 2; Rev R Hamill Nassau 3; Miss Nassau 2; Miss C Sneed 1. *Pby of Elizabeth*—Connecticut Farms ch 15, of which Sab-sch 18 68; Cranford ch 17; Summit Centre ch 2; Siloam ch 1. *Pby of Jersey City*—Hoboken ch 49; Bergen 1st ch 115; Jersey City 1st ch 114 97. *Pby of Monmouth*—Holmanville ch, a balance 1; South Amboy ch 30; Squan Village ch 8; Cranberry 1st ch 141 90; Burlington 1st ch 98 31, of which Sab-sch 40 31; Perrineville 1st ch 6; Columbus ch 22 59. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Succasunna ch, Missy's Soc'y 20; Fairmount ch 8; New Vernon ch 25; Boonton ch 44; Mount Freedom ch 25; South Orange ch 132; Morristown 1st ch, quarterly coll 86 59. *Pby of Newark*—First Ger ch Newark 15; Park ch 82 50, of which Missy's Soc'y 62 50; Newark 1st ch, mon coils 115 42; Calvary ch 18 54; Woodside 1st ch 6 88. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Witherspoon St ch, Princeton 20; Trenton 3d ch Sab-sch 30. *Pby of Newton*—Hardiston ch 10; Stewartsville ch 84; Knowlton ch 27, of which 15 Memorial; Hope ch 2; Greenwich 1st ch 93 60. *Pby of West Jersey*—Hammoncton ch, a balance 1 20; Deerfield ch 84 75; Pittsgrove ch 25; Cold Spring ch 30; Woodbury ch 53 25 1717 50

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—East Boston 1st ch 34 30. *Pby of Hudson*—Calicoon 1st ch 10; Montgomery ch 30; Hempstead ch 5; Washingtonville 1st ch, a balance 3; Washingtonville 2d ch 21 82. *Pby of New York*—Scotch ch 550 (John T Johnson 500, a member 50); Eleventh ch 52; Allen St ch, a widow's mite 1; Memorial; Madison Square ch, add'l 100; Eighty-fourth St ch 70 83; Brick ch, add'l 500; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, a member, Memorial 250. *Pby of North River*—Calvary ch, Newburg 33 45; Pine Plains ch Sab-sch 15 40; Hughsonville ch 15. *Pby of Westchester*—Bedford ch 31 50; Mt Kisco ch 30; Stamford 1st ch Sab-sch 9 85; South East Centre ch 24 21; Bridgeport ch 132 50 1919 86

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Benicia*—San Rafael ch 12. *Pby of Sacramento*—Ione City ch 32 70, of which 25 from Sarah J Luther, Memorial 44 70

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Forks of Brandywine ch, from John Weber, Esq 1100; East Whiteland ch 33 38, of which Sab-sch 23 85; Downingtown Central ch, from Alex P Tutton 62 50; Avondale ch 7. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Plains ch 10; Montrose ch 10 40, of which mon con 7 40; Gibson ch 8 85; Towanda ch, add'l 50 43; Kingston ch, mon col 11 87; Hawley ch 17; Wyalusing 2d ch 23 68. *Pby of Lehigh*—Brainerd ch, Easton 900; Easton 1st ch 230; White Haven ch 7; Catasauqua 1st ch 170. *Pby of Philadelphia*—First ch, in part, Memorial 720; South ch 20; Fifteenth ch 12; Second ch, from Mrs Ralston 10; Media ch 10; Ninth ch 58; South Western ch 16 80. *Pby of Philadelphia, Central*—Central ch, N L 55; Richmond ch 9; North ch 1st Sab-sch 7; Hestonville ch 20; Mantua 2d ch 25. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Morrisville ch 20. *Pby of Pottsville*—Pottsville ch 3. *Pby of Westminister*—Lancaster ch Sab-sch 23 97; Marietta ch 35; Strasburg ch 7 50; Little Britain ch 30; Wrightsville ch 35; York ch 412 63; Caernarvon ch 10 4248 01

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Latrobe ch 64; Murraysville ch, Ladies' Board of Missions 16 50. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Canonsburg ch, from a member, Memorial 7; Mansfield ch 13; West Elizabeth ch 16; Pittsburgh 6th ch 127 35; North Branch ch 7 49. *Pby of Redstone*—Connellsville ch 167 60. *Pby of Washington*—Lower Ten Mile ch 9 10; Allen Grove ch 5; Cameron ch 6; Wolf Run ch 4 443 04

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Austin*—George-

town ch 7; Austin ch 4 50. *Pby of Holston*—Timber Ridge ch 5. *Pby of Union*—Caledonia ch 6; New Market ch 7 50; Pleasant Forest and Ebenezer chs 12 42 00

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Huron*—Clyde ch 6 50. *Pby of Maumee*—Defiance 1st ch, from C Deatrach 5 11 50

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Binghamton*—De Ruyter ch 4. *Pby of Otsego*—Middlefield Central ch 10; Sidney Plains ch 15 75; Otsego ch, in part 5. *Pby of Syracuse*—Pompey 1st ch 30. *Pby of Utica*—Westernville ch 42 84; Vernon Centre ch 18. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Dexter ch 15 140 59

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—East Buffalo ch 10. *Pby of Genesee Valley*—Franklinville ch 18 70. *Pby of Rochester*—East Avon ch 6; Brick ch, Rochester 115; Ossian ch Missy's Soc'y 3 59 153 29

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Milwaukee*—Calvary ch, Milwaukee 26. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Pulaski ch 5; Liberty Ger ch 2 15 33 15

Total received from churches, \$14,600 43

LEGACIES.—Estate of Linus Scott, dec'd, late of Windham, Ohio 404; Legacy of R G Pardee, dec'd, late of New York City 100; Patterson estate, Pittsburgh, Pa 16 520 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—E DeWitt, Elyria, Ohio 10; Rev Baxter Dickinson, D.D, Brooklyn, N Y 8; Miss Judson, N Y 10; Miss Jane Wilson, Shippensburg, Pa 5; A friend of Missions, Prairie City, Ill 2 50; J R Dixon, Homer, N Y 20, Memorial; Mrs E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 10. M Garrett 50, Memorial; Mrs Thos H Dickson, Phila. Pa 20, Memorial; Mrs J A Beal, Topeka, Kansas 5; Ladies' Board of Missions, N Y 300; Society of Inquiry of Lane Theo Seminary, Ohio 5 50; *Presbyterian Memorial Fund* 485 50; Mrs Rev M P Squier, Geneva, N Y 10; Mrs M A Ford, Berkshire, N Y 10, Memorial; Six months interest and premium on Permanent Fund, Hungerford Estate 291 72; T T Orr, Clarion, Pa 2, Memorial; F B Orr, Clarion, Pa 2, Memorial; Society of Missionary Inquiry of Auburn Theo Seminary, N Y 30; "Nassau" 500, Memorial; Mrs S Boreland, Allegheny, Pa 5, Memorial; C W McGonnigal, Pan Handle, W Va 50, Memorial; S E R 5; Rev J C and Mrs K E Wilhelm, Huntingdon, Pa 10, Memorial; "M" 3, of which 2 Memorial 1,850 22

Total in April, \$16,970 65

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
30 Vesey Street, New York.

#### CLOTHING.

1 box from Deerfield ch, N J, valued at \$70 25  
1 barrel from ladies of Bedford ch, N Y, valued at 75 00  
1 box from the Dom Missy's Soc'y of Calvary ch, Newburg, N Y, valued at 200 00  
1 box from the ladies of Chester 1st ch, Pa, valued at 128 00  
4 boxes from Ladies' Charitable Soc'y of University Place ch, N Y, valued at 1,480 00  
1 box from the Women's Soc'y of Valparaiso ch, Ind, valued at 70 00  
\$2,023 25

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIEOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

### ABSTRACT OF FIFTY-SECOND REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The report opens with a notice of origin of the Board, under the hands of men associated with both the subsequent branches of the Church—James Wilson, James Patterson, Ezra Styles Ely, in company with Ashbel Green, Samuel Miller, and William Neal; and the fraternal counsels of Cortlandt Van Rensselaer and Thornton Mills in maturing the shape of the work in the Board and Permanent Committee, at the time when the two branches began to grow more kindly and draw together in heart. The Board now starts forth in the work of Ministerial Education in a new career, and in a form more complete, it is believed, than any which has preceded, by the adoption of the best results of the experience of both branches of the Church.

#### OUTLINES OF CONSTITUTION AND RULES.

To more clearly and generally inform the ministry and membership of the Presbyterian Church on the subject, the outlines of the form of the Board, and of the leading principles which animate it are presented; and the mutual relations of the Board, the Presbyteries, and the students are explained.

#### SUGGESTIONS AS TO FUTURE EFFICIENCY.

The prime necessity is the power of the Holy Spirit; and next to it the general and hearty interest of the membership of the Church. There must be earnest coöperation of the various ecclesiastical courts, especially between the Board as the executive arm of the General Assembly, and the Education Committee as the agency of the Presbytery. Information must be more abundantly circulated through the Church papers, and especially through a more suitable effective periodical for the Boards. And the Church requires the universal adoption of the inspired plan of Sabbath contributions (1 Cor. xvi. 2). By these various means the principal obstacles and fears in the way of a great increase of students for the ministry may be removed, many pious and capable men be encouraged to devote themselves to it, the calls of our home and foreign mission fields for men and money be in a far larger measure met, the Church enter upon a new era of spiritual revival and blessing, and the favor of God shine upon her as it has never done before.

#### CANDIDATES.

The number of candidates received under the care of the Board in thirteen months, is greater than has ever before been aided in any equal period by the bodies which now constitute the Presbyterian Church, viz: theological students, 230; collegiate students, 284; academical students, 156: total number aided since last report, 670. Of the above there were, new recommendations, 242; annual renewals of former recommendations, 428. Of these 670, 12 belonged to April, 1870. The number then for the *twelve* months, ending May 1, 1871, is 658. The number for the year preceding was 627, (Board of Education, Philadelphia, 391; Permanent Committee, New York, 236). The *total* gain for the time reported is 43. The gain in *new* recommendations over those in the two branches last year (Board of Education, 109; Permanent Committee, 66; total 175) is 57.

The number in connection with the Board who have completed their theological studies is 52, besides probably several German, colored and other students not reported.

The students received were recommended by 115 of the Presbyteries in the United States, after their reconstruction, and by 17 more previously, the names of the Presbyteries are given which might add somewhat to the number; 39 Presbyteries have no students under the care of the Board; one student was directly recommended from the Welsh Calvinistic Church, others from it were received through our own Presbyteries.



## THE TREASURY.

Balance in the treasury April 1st, 1870, \$5,879.26; receipts from that time till April 30th, 1871, \$73,933.03. Total, \$79,812.29. Receipts to the amount of \$3,507.20 at the treasury of the Permanent Committee at New York, have been allowed by the Board to remain there in liquidation of the debt of \$2,586.93 reported to the last Assembly, and \$540.94 subsequently incurred. The balance, \$379.33, has been sent to the Board at Philadelphia; and the books and papers, and a bond of \$2,000 belonging to the Phelps scholarship, finally transferred here. Thus the whole income of Education for the year has been \$83,319.49.

The Board has met the closing appropriations of the last spring, and the first three payments of the *study* year, for November, January and March, which have included its obligations until April 30th; in all \$73,192.50. In addition to this it has anticipated what is due for May to the students in the *theological* course, except in the cases of some who had returned home before the draft sent for their payment had been received, amounting to \$6,256.67. The total payments, April 1st, 1870, till April 30th, 1871, have therefore been \$79,449.17. There remains in the treasury a balance of \$362.12. The remainder of the May appropriations are now due. The Board had hoped to receive enough to meet them from the spring collections. It needs at once to pay them about \$15,000. When these are paid there will remain nothing in the treasury to meet the heavy payments of the fall and winter.

## ENCOURAGEMENTS.

Though the past year has been one of much embarrassment on account of the unsettled condition of the churches during the first year of the union, the interference of numerous claims of an educational nature embraced in the scope of the Memorial Fund, and the restricted means during the year among the mercantile and agricultural classes in some important sections of the country; yet the prospects of the Board are encouraging. The cause of the present want of funds is attributable partly to the diminution in legacies, which last year were \$18,300, this year \$9,434. The appropriations have been met *within the month* when they were promised. And the temporary discouragements as to the diversion of contributions to educational institutions have yet much in them that is hopeful as the advancement of the general cause in the Church. Next year larger contributions to the Board are promised and looked for.

## INCREASE OF RATE OF APPROPRIATION SUGGESTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Board takes up the question of the practicability of a decided increase in the appropriations to candidates for the ministry. It shows that the present rates are entirely insufficient; the students are disheartened, and the Church in its missionary efforts injured, by the debts which they are compelled to accumulate; professors of literary and theological institutions join in the plea for more liberality to their students; and the increase of care and interest in the work as relates to our Presbyteries seems to justify an advance. The Board had fixed the rates for the time, until the General Assembly could act upon the subject, at those of the old Board; but now after much consultation with professors and others, it suggests as reasonable and possible, for theological students, an increase from one hundred and fifty, to two hundred dollars; for collegiate students, an increase from one hundred and twenty, to one hundred and sixty dollars; for academical students, an increase from one hundred, to one hundred and twenty-dollars per annum. It leaves the whole question to the Assembly, declaring that plainly as it sees and deeply as it feels the justice, and the importance to the candidates for the ministry, and to the general interests of the Presbyterian Church, of a considerable increase in the amounts of aid furnished to these young men, yet the Board of Education does most candidly say to the General Assembly that such increase should not be decreed by that body unless it is prepared, further, to take up this cause with new interest; to assign it a higher place in urging the relative claims of this Board upon the Church at large; and to recommend, in view of the increase of students, and the larger appropriations to be granted to them, that the contributions to its treasury shall be *one-half* greater than they have been during the year past. The condition of the Church at this time, the amazing providences of God in preparing the nations of the world for the gospel, and the importance of the work of ministerial education as the foundation of any great advances towards the conversion of mankind, make it manifest that such effort should be made now.



## RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN APRIL, 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —State St ch, Albany 169 50; Mariaville ch 6; Bethlehem ch 10; West Galway ch 8	\$193 50
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Highland ch 15 85; Valley ch 10; Manchester ch (of which 13 from Sab-sch) 41; Tarentum ch 10 05; Plains ch 7; 1st ch Allegheny 86 03; Central ch, Allegheny 25 58; Freedom ch 8 50; Zelienople ch 6	210 01
<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Troy ch 5; Bethel ch 12 10; Carbondale ch 5; New Du Quoin ch 22	44 10
<i>Pby of Athens</i> —Middleport ch	14 00
<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —James Island ch	3 50
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Quarries ch 1 25; Williamsport ch 17; Frederick ch 5; Westminster ch 25	48 25
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Marseilles ch	6 50
<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Nineveh ch 19 45; Marathon ch 10 75; North Pres ch, Binghamton 16 49	46 69
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Latrobe ch 52; New Alexander ch (of which 13 25 from Sab-sch) 100; Beulah ch 35; New Salem ch 25 26; Parnassus ch 2; Black Lick ch 7 18	222 44
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Chatsworth ch 10; Clinton ch 42 40	52 40
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —La Fayette Ave ch, Brooklyn 25; South Third St ch, Brooklyn 59 73	84 73
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —East Aurora ch 10; South Wales ch 4	14 00
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Centreville ch 21 57; Scrub Grass ch 20; North Butler ch 3; Clintonville ch 3	47 57
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Gettysburg ch (of which 50 cts from Sab-sch) 28 89; 2d ch Carlisle 103 49; Harrisburg ch 21 53; Greencastle ch 35; Dickinson ch 10; Buffalo and Upper chs 3	396 91
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Linn Grove ch 6 85; Scotch Grove ch 7; Bethel ch 2; Marion ch 12 50; Anamosa ch 2 30; Marshalltown ch 12 25	42 90
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Faggs Manor ch 31 85; Oxford ch 39 50	71 35
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Manteno ch, of which 6 15 from Sab-sch	27 16
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —South Salem ch	15 27
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Hexton ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Glendale ch 35 30; Pleasant Ridge ch 20 78; 5th ch Cincinnati 45 92; Goshen ch 10 25; 1st Ger ch, Cincinnati 10; 2d ch Cincinnati 37 50; Pilgrim ch 4	163 75
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —First ch Clarion 13; Perry ch 10	23 00
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Second ch Cleveland 37 50; Westminster ch 27 56	65 06
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —First ch Columbus	75 17
<i>Pby of Corisco</i> —Benita ch 2; Evangelisimba ch 1; Rev R V Nassau 1; Miss Nassau 1; Rev Ibia 1	6 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Crawfordsville ch 27 70; Frankford ch 12 50	40 20
<i>Pby of Dakota</i> —Yanktown ch 3; Pilgrim ch 1 20	4 20
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Monroe ch 13; College Corner ch 7; Harmony ch 7 50; Bethel ch 4; Reily ch 6; Rev C H Raymond 6; Clifton ch 39 65, and from Ladies' Ben'y Soc'y 10; Middletown ch 15 46	107 61
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Albia ch 8; 1st ch Knoxville 12 10; Leon and Decatur City chs 3; Mt Ayr ch 1	24 10
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —First ch Detroit	153 91
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Lime Spring ch 3; Independence ch 9 73; Epworth ch (of which 1 from Sab-sch) 4; Liberty ch 3 45; Byron Centre ch 3 70; Manchester ch 10 15	34 03
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Second ch Elizabeth 72 77; 1st ch Metuchin 16 75; Perth Amboy ch 37; Connecticut Farms ch 15; Clinton ch 12 43; Siloam ch 1; 1st ch Woodbridge 10	164 95
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Titusville ch 14; Harbor ch 5; Garland ch 4; Millvillage ch 4 60; Waterloo ch 3	30 50
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Delhi ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Belvidere ch	27 00
<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Jefferson ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —First ch Fort Wayne 126 50; La Grange ch 7	133 50
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Wyoming ch 19 75; Le Roy ch 40 70; Byron ch 1 40; Canton ch, Genesee 20 29	82 14
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Atchison ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Fremont ch 35 97; Bloom ch 20; Melmore ch 6 50	62 47
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Hamptonburg ch 2; Chester ch 30; 1st ch Florida 26 50; Florida ch (of which 2 from Sab-sch) 5; West-town ch 15; Mt Hope ch 8; Walbury ch 8	94 50
<i>Pby of Huntington</i> —Phillipsburg ch 5 55; Bradford ch 2 44; Kylertown ch 4 36; 2d ch Altoona 100; Shade Gap ch 7; Sinking Valley ch 38; Strasburg ch 6; Saxton ch 5; Tyrone ch 16 21; Peru ch 11 50; Bethel ch 10 50; Lewis-town ch 95 77; Milroy ch 30; Upper Tuscarora ch 28; Yellow Creek ch 6 82	367 15
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Donaldson ch 2; 1st ch Shelbyville 9	11 00
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Cedar Valley ch 1 50; 1st ch Burlington 24 20; Spring Creek ch 6 80	32 50
<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —First ch Kalamazoo 42 46; Allegan ch 11 40	53 86
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Pine Run ch 9; Ebenezer ch 21; Marion and Rockbridge chs 9; Slate Lick ch 23; Clarksburg ch 12 63; Rural Valley ch 5; Apollo ch 16 27; Glade Run ch 12; Mt Pleasant ch 4	111 90
<i>Pby of Luckawanna</i> —Wetherly ch 3; Wyoming ch 3; Pittston ch 25; 2d ch Wyalusing 3; Newton ch and Sab-sch 10	44 00
<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Escanaba ch 5; 1st ch Marquette 62; 1st ch Superior 5	72 00
<i>Pby of Lansing</i> —Tekonsha ch 5; Mason ch 18	23 00
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Stroudsburg ch 15; Mountain ch 5	20 00
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Turtle Creek ch	4 10
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —First ch La Fayette 18 10; Sab-sch 19 38; 1st ch La Porte 1; Monticello ch 13	51 48
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Sag Harbor ch 20; Middletown ch 27 64	47 64
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Walnut St ch, Louisville 15 60; Olivet ch 17 75	33 35
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —West Unity ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Iberia ch 3 08; Chesterville ch 4 81	7 89
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Ponca ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Delafield ch 3 50; Calvary ch 60; Janesville ch 24 80	88 30
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Dayton ch 5; Plumstead ch 2; Tennent ch 12 35; Squan Village ch 3; Columbus ch 6 32; Shrewsbury ch 10; Perrineville ch 3; Hightstown ch 21	62 67
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Adrian ch 40; 1st ch, Monroe 40; Deerfield ch 2; Petersburg ch 4	86 00
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —New Vernon ch 15; Central ch, Orange 100; 2d ch, Orange 130 80; German Valley ch 23 52	269 32
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Kokomo ch 2; Selma ch 1; Jonesboro ch 1; Hartford ch 1; Xenia ch 1; Tipton ch 5	11 00
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —South Park ch 128 40; Park ch 66 51	194 91
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Oak Grove ch 3; Bethel ch 4 50; Brownstown ch 10; Hanover ch 12 05	29 55
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —First ch, Huntington	43 40
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —First ch, New Brunswick 25 74; Amwell United 1st ch 12; Kirkpatrick Memorial ch 15 75; Hamilton Square ch 11 69; 2d ch, Amwell 8 20; Lawrenceville ch 83 80; Ewing ch 6 50; 1st ch Cranbury 50; Pennington ch 50; 1st ch, Amwell 17	280 65
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Lower West Nottingham ch 24; Wiconnicco ch 25	49 00
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Riverdale ch 68; 2d ch, Delhi 20 83; Forty-second St ch, New York City 68; German ch 12; Covenant ch 157; University Place ch 51 97; Phillips ch 41 94; 1st German ch, Clarkstown 1	420 74
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Swartswood ch 2; Succasunna ch	

20 10; 2d ch. Oxford 35; Yellow Frame ch 16; Wantage ch 25; 2d ch, Wantage 25; Branchville ch 26; Stewartville ch 21; Hope ch 2; Knowlton ch 4 176 10

*Pby of Neosho*—Iola ch 5 00

*Pby of Niagara*—First ch, Medina 15 75

*Pby of Northumberland*—Shamokin ch (of which 6 69 from Sab-sch) 27 35; Great Island ch 19 34; Grove ch (of which 5 from Sab-sch) 20; Buffalo Cross Roads ch 14; Milton ch 40; Washington ch 14 80; 1st ch New Berlin 10 15; Mifflinburg ch 9 30; Hartleton ch 5; 1st ch Northumberland 10 170 14

*Pby of North River*—Bethlehem ch 24 00

*Pby of Osage*—Deepwater ch 2; Jefferson City ch 4 6 00

*Pby of Ottawa*—Waltham ch 29; Ottawa ch 2 10 31 10

*Pby of Palmyra*—Pleasant Prairie ch 5 00

*Pby of Peoria*—John Knox ch 5 75; Delavan ch 16 27; Washington ch 5 27 02

*Pby of Philadelphia*—Tenth ch (from a lady) 50; Media ch 10 60 00

*Pby of Philadelphia. Central*—Hestonville ch 8; Cohocksink ch 90 40; Spring Garden ch 140; North Tenth St ch 29 41; Northern Liberties ch 20; 1st ch Northern Liberties 105 17 392 98

*Pby of Philadelphia. North*—First ch Nesaminy 30 64; Hermon ch 22; Bristol ch 25; 1st ch Norristown 31 17; Morrisville ch 10; Tioga St ch 31; 1st ch Easton 50; Huntingdon Valley ch 10; Manayunk ch 31 90; Green Hill ch 102 343 71

*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Shadyside ch 110 77; 1st ch Pittsburgh 170; Swissvale ch 25; Bethel ch 49; Millers Run ch 15 30; Sharon ch 13 10; Mt Pisgah ch 10; 6th ch Pittsburgh 42 47; Mingo ch 25 95; Lebanon ch 12; North Branch ch 5 20; Mt Carmel ch 14 16 492 95

*Pby of Redstone*—New Providence ch 15 00

*Pby of Rochester*—Westminster ch 10; Clarkson ch 5; Tuscarora and Union Corner ch 16; Mendon ch 25; Sparta ch 11 35 67 35

*Pby of Rock River*—Garden Plain ch 2 50; Calvary ch 5; Osco ch 4 35 11 85

*Pby of Saginaw*—First ch Saginaw 7; Woodhull ch 2 9 00

*Pby of San Francisco*—Howard St ch 11 50

*Pby of Schuyler*—Ebenezer ch 13; Young America ch 5; Prairie City ch 5 23 00

*Pby of Shenango*—Herman ch 12 70; Westfield ch 26 60; Lawrenceburg ch 25; Little Beaver ch 5; Slippery Rock ch 3; 1st ch New Brighton 34 106 30

*Pby of Springfield*—North Sangamon ch 20; 1st ch Springfield 65 02 85 02

*Pby of Steubenville*—Broomfield ch 12; Centre Unity ch 4 70; New Hagerstown ch 18; New Cumberland ch 5; East Springfield ch 10; Cross Creek ch 8 50; Minerva ch 2 57; Bethlehem ch 11; Corinth ch 16; Waynesburg ch 13; Bacon Ridge ch 10 110 77

*Pby of St Clairsville*—Crab Apple ch 20; 1st ch Kirkwood 13 82; Grand View ch 2; Scotch Ridge ch 5 50; Mt Pleasant ch 20 39 61 71

*Pby of St Louis*—First Ger ch, St Louis 7 50; St Charles ch 10; Bethlehem ch 4 21 50

*Pby of St Paul*—Farmington ch 1; St Cloud ch 3 50 4 50

*Pby of Troy*—Second ch Troy 47 10; Middle Granville ch 1; Cambridge ch 11 70; Glenn Falls ch 38; Malta ch 1; Green Island ch 3; Sandy Hill ch 5 106 80

*Pby of Union*—Strawberry Plains ch 6 50; Caledonia ch 5 11 50

*Pby of Utica*—Waterville ch 42; 1st ch Camden 15; Little Falls ch 20 77 00

*Pby of Vincennes*—Graysville ch 7; Clairborne ch 4; Howesville ch 3; 2d ch Vincennes 19 40; Indiana ch 9; Upper Indiana ch 9 51 40

*Pby of Wabash*—Homer ch 8 68; 1st ch Effingham 3 11 68

*Pby of Washington*—Upper Buffalo ch 32 55; Allen Grove ch 3; Wellsburg ch 6 50; Bethel ch 4 30; Cross Roads ch 5 60; Mt Prospect ch 36 15; Claysville ch 5 93 20

*Pby of Watertown*—Watertown ch 30; Chaumont ch 10 40 00

*Pby of West Chester*—First ch Thompsonville 15; Gilead ch 27 20; Mt Kisco ch 15; South Salem

ch 41; Yorktown ch 30; Cold Spring ch 25; Patterson ch 7; West Farms ch 14; Stanford ch Sab-sch 9 75; North Salem ch 12; Stamford ch 138 92 334 87

*Pby of West Jersey*—First ch Bridgeton 100; Deerfield ch 20; 1st ch Cedarville 32; West Bridgeton ch 32; Cold Spring ch 25 209 00

*Pby of Westminster*—Pequea ch 18; Marietta ch 20; Chanceford ch 20 53 00

*Pby of West Virginia*—Buchanan ch 7; French Creek ch 16 55; Clarksburg ch 5 28 55

*Pby of Winona*—South Rushford ch 3; Freemont ch 2; Filmore ch 2 7 00

*Pby of Winnebago*—Beaver Dam ch 18 72

*Pby of Wisconsin River*—Lodi ch (of which 5 from pastor) 11 21

*Pby of Wooster*—East Hopewell ch 17; Nashville ch 13; Shelby ch 8 50; Berlin ch 3; Frederick ch 72 113 60

*Pby of Zanesville*—Fairmount ch 1; Coshocton ch 20 21 00

#### FROM CHURCHES WHOSE PRESBYTERIES WERE NOT GIVEN.

Cortland ch, N Y 1; Granville ch, N Y 10 74; Clarkville ch, Pa 11 88; Hillsboro ch, Ill 17 25; 1st ch Sparta, Ill 10; 1st ch Chetopa, Kns 5; Ionia ch, Mich 26 79; Shenandoah ch, Pa 8; Battle Creek ch, Mich 25; Eckford ch, Mich 6 22; Springport ch, Mich 3 86; Marshall ch, Mich 18 20; Homer ch, Mich 15; 1st ch New Lisbon, Ohio 21 25; Canton ch, Ohio 23 13; Monongahela City ch, Pa 25 70; 1st ch Norristown, N J 51 82; Monrovia ch, Africa 4 02; Ulysis ch, Pa 3; Fallsbrook ch, Pa 10; Shawneetown ch, Ill 58; Oswegatchie ch, N Y 12; Gouverneur ch, N Y 18; Heuvelton ch, N Y 3; Piqua ch, Ohio 7; Gilgal ch, Pa 10; Mitchell ch, Ind 14; Rockaway ch, N J 40 71; North Henderson ch, Ill 21 25; Ripley ch, Ohio 15; Portville ch, N Y 12 85; 1st ch Findlay, Ohio 83 40; Groveport ch, Ohio 8 70; Dexter ch, N Y 11; Brownsville ch, N Y 8 50; Romulus ch, N Y 22 93; Batavia ch, N Y 44 07; Baldwinsville ch, N Y 9; Amanda ch, Ohio 5; 1st ch Norwalk, Ohio 49 89; Long Run ch, Pa 18 50; Clinton ch, Neb Ter 50 cts; Presbyterian ch, Minn 2 80; Carlisle ch, Ind 3 30; Central ch, Circleville 20; East Freedom ch 3; Martinsburg ch 11 07 820 23

\$9,682 18

#### ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL FUND.

*Pby of Baltimore*—Westminster ch. G W Knowles 50; Emma C Knowles 50; W G Knowles 25; G C Knowles 12 50 137 50

*Pby of Cairo*—Carmi ch 10 00

*Pby of Sacramento*—Rev C D Roberts 10 00

Mrs E W Ruliffson, Chicago, Ill 5; Memorial Fund Committee 98 103 00

\$260 50

#### REFUNDED.

H W T 50; W 112 50; J W 25 187 50

#### LEGACIES.

Estate of Mrs Anna Maria Moore, De Graff, Ohio 31 24; Patterson estate 16 47 24

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

A B M 5; Dr A Chapman, Alquina, Ind 5; Rev P Lockwood, Binghamton, N Y 20; Mrs Eliza E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y 10; M Frothingham, Burlington, N J 5; Nassau 400; George Burlingham, Marietta, Ohio 5; Mrs Rev M P Squier, Geneva, N Y 10; Mrs P P Dunn 4; C M M 1; Mrs A O Patterson, Oxford O 5; Rev A A Morrison, Salina, Kansas 1; Contents of little boy's missionary box 1 12; J R Groves 1 473 12

Total amount acknowledged, \$10,650 54  
WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.

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## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Rev. Frank F. Ellinwood, D.D., at present secretary of the Memorial Fund Committee, was elected in March as a corresponding secretary of the Board. Peculiar circumstances caused difficulty and delay in reaching his decision of the question of duty; but we are happy to state that Dr. Ellinwood has accepted the appointment, and that he expects to enter on the duties of this office after the adjournment of the General Assembly.

## ANNUAL SERMON.

The Annual Sermon of the Board was preached by the Rev. William Adams, D.D., in the Brick Presbyterian Church, New York, on Sabbath-evening, April 30th. A copy of this discourse has been requested by the Board for publication.

## END OF THE MISSION YEAR.

The financial year of the Board ended on the 1st of May. The receipts from all sources were \$330,570.39; the expenditures, \$373,803.16; leaving a debt of \$43,232.77. This result is somewhat unexpected, and it is to be much regretted, but it need not be discouraging. It does not, it is believed, indicate a lessening interest in the cause, but is accounted for by other reasons, which are referred to in the Report. The missions, in general, are in a satisfactory condition, and they set before the Church doors of entrance of great importance. The encouragement of advanced action is very marked. For particulars we must refer to the Report itself, which is to be laid before the General Assembly, and afterwards published. The Board hopes to receive in the year now commenced an income of \$500,000.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

NEW COMMUNICANTS.—Mr. Hall expected two men to unite with the Oldtown Church, Seneca Mission, on the next day after his letter was written, and several more at the next communion at Cornplanter's.—Mr. Ramsay, having heard from Tallahassee, reports five new members as lately admitted to the Creek church, one of whom is a man of much influence, who was formerly a scholar in our mission school.—Mr. Alexander speaks of a Brahman convert, a man of high standing and learning, whom he had baptized at Mynpurie, and gives some particulars of his case which may be inserted hereafter in one of the missionary periodicals.—Miss Thompson mentions the admission to the church during the last year of seven pupils in the girls' school at Dehra.—Mr. Pitkin reports, "with a heart full of gratitude" to God, the admission of three young men as communicants in the church of Bogota, on the 19th of February.—Mr. Blackford informs us that two men were admitted to the church of Rio de Janeiro early in March. One of them was formerly a Roman Catholic priest, but he is now a lawyer, a gentleman of education and influence.

ARRIVALS.—Mrs. Carrothers, wife of the Rev. C. Carrothers, of the Japan Mission, returned lately on a visit, in order to bring the infant son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cornes to his friends in this country. Mrs. Carrothers' address is at her



father's—the Rev. R. V. Dodge, Madison, Wisconsin. The Rev. A. Marcellus and his wife, of the Canton Mission, have returned to this country, their health proving altogether unequal to the climate and work of the mission in China. They have received benefit from the voyage. They wish to be engaged in useful labor for the Church here at home, and we trust some door of entrance will soon be set open before them. Mr. Marcellus' post-office for the present is Freehold, N. J.

DEPARTURES.—John P. Patterson, M.D., and his wife, embarked at San Francisco for China on the 1st of May. Dr. Patterson has been for some time a resident at Cincinnati, Ohio, where he pursued his medical studies. His station will be Tungehow, and he will there find opportunities of much professional and missionary usefulness, followed as he and his wife desire by the prayers of many Christian friends.

A CITY OF 500,000 INHABITANTS, Soochow, China, within easy reach of Shanghai, is set before the Board by the brethren at Shanghai as an important missionary station, not only for its own great population, but for the access which it gives to the people of other places in the interior. Mr. Farnham urges the appointment of a missionary to this city, to join the European catechist and the native evangelist now there, Soochow being now regarded as an out-station of our mission at Shanghai. "Who will go for us?"

NEW YORK INDIANS VISITED.—Messrs. Wright and Ford, of the Seneca Mission, recently visited the Indians on the Tuscarora and Tonawanda Reservations. The former, seven miles from Niagara Falls, is the abode of 400 Indians; the church consists of twenty or twenty-five members, and there is also a Baptist church there. The latter, thirty miles distant, in the corners of Erie, Niagara, and Genesee counties, has a population of six hundred or seven hundred Indians, amongst whom there is also a small church of twenty-five members, connected with the Presbytery of Buffalo. Neither of these two churches has a minister, and the people need Christian consideration and assistance. This brief notice is all that our space permits us to insert, but it will lead our readers to look for Mr. Ford's account of their visit in the *Foreign Missionary*.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO MAY 15TH.—From the Seneca Mission, May 9th; Seminole, April 18th; Navajo, April 26th; San Francisco, April 17th; Yokohama, March 21st; Yedo, March 18th; Peking, February 18th; Tungehow, March 7th; Chefoo, February 11th; Shanghai, March 13th; Ningpo, March 1st; Canton, March 10th; Mynpurie, March 28th; Etawah, March 23d; Dehra, March 6th; Ambala, March 21st; Lodiana, March 13th; Kolapore, March 16th; Oroomiah, February 22d; Abeih, April 10th; Sidon, April 7th; Gaboon, March 21st; Benita, March 16th; Sinou, February 27th; Rio de Janeiro, March 24th; Sao Paulo, March 18th; Rio Clara, March 9th; Bogota, March 15th.

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#### THE LATE TELEGRAM FROM CHINA.

The newspapers have published a telegraphic despatch, stating that the Chinese Government has demanded of the ministers of the foreign powers, that missionary labors for Chinese girls and women shall be prohibited, and the missionaries be placed under control of the laws of China. This despatch has caused painful apprehension of evil and danger. Were it true, it would indicate that the anti-foreigner feeling was gaining ground, and, therefore, serious troubles were to be expected, which, of course, would seriously affect the operations of commerce. The despatch *may* have its origin in some speculative business concern; it is so

rounded and full as quite to differ from the ordinary telegrams from China. If it be correct, however, it will show that all foreigners in China, merchants and missionaries alike, must unite in resisting such claims, or else it will not be long until they are all placed under the narrowest, old-time restrictions, such as are hostile to progress of any kind, and such as would greatly restrict commercial as well as missionary intercourse with the people. The foreign powers will undoubtedly refuse to comply with this demand, and insist on the fulfilment of existing treaties. If trouble should arise between the Chinese and the foreigners, our missionary friends in the sea-ports would be under the protection of the foreign ships of war, and those whose stations are in the interior could probably reach the sea-ports in safety. As at present advised we do not credit this telegram, but later accounts may reach our readers by the newspapers before they can see this little article. It would not surprise us if the Chinese should engage in war with foreigners, but if the worst should come to pass, it is our happiness to know that our missionaries are in the keeping of God.

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### THE MOQUI PUEBLA INDIANS.

The Agent for these Indians writes to us as follows: "I found my people in extreme poverty; many children, six and eight years old, entirely naked. In point of morals, there is a purity that few tribes possess; they are honest and child-like, having the simplicity of little children. This can only be accounted for from the fact that they have not associated with bad white men. They are very anxious to have schools among them. I do not know a field more inviting for a missionary. My interpreter is teaching a class among them, and is making good progress. . . I have faith to believe, by the assistance of Providence, I shall do a good work for these poor degraded people." These Indians are in the north-eastern part of Arizona Territory.

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### OFFERINGS UNTO THE LORD.

#### ANOTHER GIFT TO BENITA.

One of the respected members of our Church recently forwarded the noble gift of one thousand dollars as a Memorial offering, in the touching terms which we feel at liberty here to insert.

"It is a thank-offering to the Lord from myself and wife, for giving us a dear son, who did not count his life dear, that he might tell of the love of Jesus and the way of eternal life to those poor heathen on the West 'coast of Africa. . . . We wish the money to be applied to the support of the mission at Benita, with our earnest prayer that the Lord may raise up multitudes from that station to carry the glad news of salvation to those that are perishing for the bread and water of eternal life in the interior. It is a memorial offering to the Board of Foreign Missions from ——— and wife, as well as a thank-offering to the Lord."

Many prayers will follow this gift, not only from the donors, but also from other Christian friends, that its object may soon be accomplished. The grace that prompted this offering is the same that led to the missionary life of the lamented founder of the Benita station, a beloved Christian brother, who "being dead yet speaketh."

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#### A CHILD'S GIFT.

One of our ministers wrote to us lately as follows:

"Little Minta B——, not three years old, had a pretty box into which she put



the pieces of money which were given her. She sickened and died last winter. Her box and its contents fell to her sister Lulie, about six years old. Lulie put the contents of the box into my hands, saying that she wished the money to go to the *poor heathen*. Here you have the amount, one dollar and twenty-five cents.

“To me it seems as a sacred gift, coming from so small a child. God make it the means of leading some poor heathen to Christ, and thus ‘out of the mouth of babes and sucklings perfect praise!’”

## MISSION WORK AT HANG-CHOW AND ITS OUT-STATIONS.

The Rev. S. Dodd, under date of November 14th, 1870, reviews the work of the year in the following satisfactory account. Let it be remembered that Hangchow is one of the principal cities in the province of Chekiang, China, where Messrs. Dodd and Lyon, and their families are now stationed. Mr. Dodd says:

The mission work connected with this station embraces:—

1st. The boys' boarding school. No change has taken place in the general management of the school since the last report. The average number of pupils in attendance is thirty; four Christian boys are expected to graduate next Chinese New Year, they will probably engage in mission work; two of the scholars have been baptized. The work on Natural Philosophy by Dr. Martin, of Peking, and a work on Astronomy by the Rev. N. Sites, of the American Methodist Mission at Foo Chow, have been added to the studies. The health of the school has been good.

2d. Two places open for daily preaching in the city; one of these is in the Bizar-house, or in the compound of the mission premises where it has been since we came to Hangchow, the other is in a small house or chapel that was rented during the last year, and is situated in one of the most busy streets in the city. Many hundreds of people have heard the gospel in these two places, but of all the many who came to spend an idle hour and listen to the “new doctrine,” only two seem to have embraced the truth, by applying for church membership.

3d. The station at Sing-z, a large town about forty miles north of the city; Dzing Shih-nyiro, an old disciple, who was licensed to preach at the last meeting of the Presbytery, has had charge of this station from the beginning. There are twenty-six church

members there, of whom five have been added to the church during the year.

4th. The station at Bing-ziao, a pleasant village about twenty-five miles northeast of the city, where there are five church members; we have not been able to keep an assistant constantly here, but it is visited by Tsin Ah-mah, who, acting as colporteur, goes from place to place as there may seem occasion. One person has been added to the church there.

5th. The station at Ko-gyiao, a large town on the way between Ningpo and Hangchow, about thirty miles from the last mentioned city. Pao Kong-kyiao, a student under the care of Presbytery, has been stationed here since the Theological class, of which he was a member, broke up last spring. In addition to the members of the assistant's family, there is only one communicant at this place.

6th. The station at Dzao-rigo, another large town about forty miles beyond Ko-gyiao on the way to Ningpo. Leo Pingfang, a graduate from the boys' school, at present a student for the ministry, has had charge of this station since it was opened, now about two years ago. There are four communicants at present, of whom two have been baptized during the year. The present membership of the Hangchow church is fifty-nine, of whom twelve have been admitted since the last report. The church members at Sing-z have requested and obtained leave of Presbytery at its last meeting, to be organized into a separate church.

There has been a more than usual amount of opposition to the gospel manifested this year. It is, of course, not pleasant, but the contrary; it is, however, in the very nature of things to be expected, and must not be regarded as discouraging. The power of Satan at present wielded over this empire, will not be abandoned without a struggle. At Sing-z, the very very small house that we have had from the beginning of our work there, is now far too small to ac-



commodate the catechist and his family, and Sabbath and other meetings of the Christians; they collected money among themselves and bought a piece of ground at about fifty dollars, hoping, in the course of time, to be able to put up a house in which the church could be accommodated; the man who sold them the land took the money but refused to proceed further with the bargain. It is a piece of imposition and extortion on the part of the seller; the church members proceeded in a perfectly legal and straightforward manner, but if they should bring the case before the heathen magistrate, there is scarcely one chance in a thousand that they would receive help. The bargain, therefore, has just to remain as it is; the agreement has been made, the earnest money is paid, but the papers have not been signed and the property is not handed over to the buyers, and there is no prospect of an immediate or satisfactory settlement. [Later accounts state that this matter has been favorably settled, and the land secured.]

A number of people came to the chapel at Bing-ziao some months ago, they were from a village about twelve miles distant; they said they had heard of the gospel, and requested that some one who understood it might go to their village and teach it there, as several of their neighbors were ready to embrace it. The colporteur Tsin Ah-mah, was sent, and spent about a fortnight with

them; he learned that the villagers had heard that the foreigners were here propagating their religion, and were so anxious to make proselytes or converts, that they would pay every one who "entered their religion" the sum of three dollars a month, and on these terms a number of the villagers were ready to become Christians. Of course the *interest* in that village has not been continued.

A brief account was sent to the rooms some time ago of the opposition to our great settlement at Ko-gyiao. A more trying case has occurred at the neighboring station of Dzao-ugo. A lad whose native place is near here, heard the gospel for the first time at Hang-chow about three years ago; he was baptized, and has since been a consistent Christian; he has recently lost his health, which, it is feared, he will not recover. It appears now that when he first became interested in Christianity, some of his relations, who bitterly opposed his baptism, foretold that he would not be able to live more than three years under the drugs, &c., administered to the Chinese converts by the foreign missionaries. It is impossible to say whether the statement was made three years ago, or whether it is purely an *ex post facto* fabrication like so many other stories that are circulated to our hurt, but it is at present widely circulated and believed through the neighborhood.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN APRIL 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Kingsboro ch, Miss Rebecca Brower 10; 6th ch Albany 50 46; 1st Gloversville ch 25; New Lebanon ch 10. *Pby of Champlain*—Beekmantown ch 9 08. *Pby of Columbia*—Canaan Centre ch 35; Jewett ch 14; 1st ch Durham 16. *Pby of Troy*—Malta ch 14; 1st ch Cohoes 11; Middle Granville ch 1; 2d ch Troy 266 93; Waterford ch 283 59, Sab-sch 31 41 = 315; 1st ch Lansingburg 100; 3d ch Troy 5; Green Island ch 15; Sandy Hill ch, to con Huston Platner *Life Member* 42 50 \$939 97

SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Atlantic*—James Island ch 3 50. *Pby of East Florida*—St Augustine ch, Fla 30 25 33 75

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Friederick ch 9, two boys, Edward and B Eichelberger 2 = 11; 2d ch Baltimore 161; 1st ch Bel-Air 11; Havre de Grace ch Sab-sch 10; Central ch, Baltimore 81 75. *Pby of Washington City*—Clifton ch 9 283 75

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—First ch Greenfield, for Gaboon Miss 26 19. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Walnut Hill ch Sab-sch 9; Goshen Sab-sch 19 90; 3d ch Sab-sch Cincinnati, Miss'y Soc'y Memorial for Syria 50; 2d ch Cincinnati 138 36, to con Mrs Martha Hiinkle *Honorary Director* 100 = 238 36; Lane Seminary mo con 8 05, Soc'y Inq 5 50 = 13 55; Central ch Sab-sch 50; 7th ch Cincinnati 134 30; Orchard St ch, Cin-

cinnati 12; Montgomery ch Sab-sch 30; Wyoming ch 62 10; 1st Ger ch Cincinnati 30; Glendale ch, add'l 6 75. *Pby of Dayton*—Second ch Springfield 180; College Corner ch 10; Clifton ch 1 20, Ladies' Benev Soc'y 15 = 16 20; 1st Piqua ch 45 70; Harmony ch 15; 1st ch Yellow Springs 33 72; 1st ch Miami City 100; Hamilton ch 185 91. *Pby of Portsmouth*—First ch Hanging Rock 20 25 1,288 93

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Ashtabula ch 37 73; Westminster ch, Cleveland 27 56; Northfield ch 15; Colamer ch 50. *Pby of Mahoning*—Massillon ch 16 22; Poland ch 130, Sab-sch 25 = 155; New Lisbon ch 30. *Pby of St Clairsville*—St Clairsville ch, Mrs E G Sutton 5, Mrs Mary R Sutton 5, Mrs Geo Brown 2, James Finney 5, Memorial = 17; Morristown ch 12 86; Kirkwood ch 21; New Athens ch 21 35; Wheeling Valley ch 13 65; Wegee ch 5; Buchanan ch 1; Bellair ch Miss'y Soc'y for sch at Mynpurie 60. *Pby of Steubenville*—Harlem ch 36 15; 1st ch Sab-sch Steubenville 80 41, Infant class 7 50 = 87 91; 2d ch Steubenville 327, Dr C C B and wife 150, Jas Turnbull, Memorial 50, Sab-sch, to con D W Hanna and Miss Annie Filson *Life Members* 60 = 587; Wellsfield Sab-sch 17 69; Island Creek ch 28; Bloomfield ch 18 45, Sab-sch 20, Annie Thompson's miss'y box 20 cts = 38 65; Centre Unity ch 10 95, Sab-sch 6 10 = 17 05; Seneca-ville ch 20; Birmingham ch 8; New Castle ch 2;

Sharon ch 9; Caldwell ch 2; Bacon Ridge ch 14;  
East Springfield ch 15; Amsterdam ch 1 15

1,366 97

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Pomeroy Sab-sch, for Kolapoor 13 36; Barlow and Watertown ch 30; Middleport ch, Cheshire Branch 33 75. *Pby of Columbus*—First ch Groveport 30; Central ch, Circleville 117 20. *Pby of Marion*—Pisgah ch 5; Kingston ch 5; Radnor ch 8; Mt Gilead ch 5 50; La Rue ch 8. *Pby of Wooster*—Apple Creek ch 40; Olivesburg ch 14; Dalton ch to con A R Hanna *Life Member* 69; Canton ch 53 75; Belleville ch 3; Berlin ch 10; Wooster ch 127 79; Jackson ch 5. *Pby of Zanesville*—Jersey City ch 6; West Carlisle ch 6 50; Beulah ch 6 10

587 95

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—First Ger ch Sab-sch Allegheny City 27 23; Beaver ch 36; Pine Creek ch 23 02; North ch Sab-sch 31 12; 1st ch Allegheny City 148 52, for North Am Indians 98 = 244 52; Bridgewater ch 47 25. *Pby of Butler*—Centerville Sab-sch 25; Buffalo and Westminster ch 26; Amity ch 32; Harrisville ch 22; Rich Hill ch 25; Clintonville ch 16. *Pby of Clarion*—Roseville Sab-sch 3 36. *Pby of Erie*—Harmonsburch ch 8; 1st ch Sab-sch, Northeast Infant class 5; Greenfield ch, Friend for school buildings 10; 2d ch Meadville 30; Mt Pleasant ch 10; Waterloo ch 3; Mill Creek ch 15. *Pby of Kittanning*—Glade Run ch 50; 1st ch Sab-sch Kittanning 14 86; Eldersridge ch 50 35; West Lebanon ch 26 18; Clarksburg ch 14; Gilgal ch 11 55; Marion and Rockbridge ch 25; Rural Valley ch, James McCoach 6; Mt Pleasant ch 9. *Pby of Shenango*—Neshanock ch 53, Sab-sch 120 = 173; Hermon ch 110; New Brighton ch 104; Westfield ch 152 56. Sab-sch 30 = 182 56; Little Beaver Sab-sch 12 04

1,433 04

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Skaneateles ch, to con Rev M W Preston and A Warner Hatch *Honorary Directors* 200; Union Springs ch 14 65. *Pby of Chemung*—First ch Elmira 142 25, mo con 40 69, Infant sch 20 = 202 94. *Pby of Geneva*—First ch Ithaca 74 89; Romulus ch 83 79; Benton ch 28. *Pby of Lyons*—Sodus ch 5 609 27

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Lower Path Valley ch, a member 10; Dickinson ch 15, Sab-sch 10 = 25; 1st ch Harrisburg, J A Millen 25; Buffalo and Upper ch 45; Pine st ch, Harrisburg 225, Sab-sch, for Kolapoor 50 = 275; Big Spring ch 245, Sab-sch, to sup child at Tungchow 60 = 305; Hunterstown Sab-sch, for Tungchow 50. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Huntingdon Presb coll 25; Sinking and Spring Creek ch 53; East Freedom ch 10; Martinsburg ch 10; Snow Shoe Sab-sch 5; Sinking Valley ch 21 21; Lower Tuscarora ch 80 65; Lewistown ch 150 34. *Pby of Northumberland*—Derry ch, Ladies' For Missy Soc'y, to con Mrs Esther Biddle *Life Member* 40; Renovo Sab-sch 20; Lycoming Central ch 20; Bloomsburg ch 300; Berwick and Briar Creek ch 15; Shamokintown ch 7, Sab-sch 32 50 = 39 50; Warrior Run ch 35; Milton ch 250, Sab-sch 51 = 301; Buffalo ch 83; 1st ch Northumberland 5 50; Washingtonville ch, Female Missy Soc'y 18, Thos C Robinson, to con Anna Mary Robinson *Life Member* 30 = 48; McEwinsville ch 5; Jersey Shore ch 5. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Nelson ch 6 18

2,013 38

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Lexington Sab-sch 4 50; Bement ch 7; Ross-ville ch 3. *Pby of Peoria*—Fulton st ch, Peoria 90; Science Hill Sab-sch 16. *Pby of Schuyler*—First ch Quincy 35. *Pby of Springfield*—First ch Sab-sch Jacksonville 193 40; Young America Sab-sch 10; 1st ch Decatur 63 03

420 93

Macomb ch, credited in error Feb, less 44 00

376 93

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Ninth ch Chicago 215; 1st ch Evanston 100; 1st ch Manteno 28 83, Sab-sch 7 87 = 46 70; Dunton ch 26 50. *Pby of Freeport*—Second ch Freeport 16 50; Willow Creek ch 62 01; Linn and Hebron ch 14 50. *Pby of Ottawa*—Waltham ch 28 509 21

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Green-ville ch 75 87, Sab-sch 9 27 = 85 14; Sugar Creek

ch 22; Plum ch 1; Plainview ch 9; Spring Cove ch 7; 1st ch Sparta 25; Shipman ch 6 87. *Pby of Cairo*—Wabash ch, Dorcas and Freeman Gould, Memorial 10; 1st ch Carbondale 5. *Pby of Mattoon*—Edgewater ch 3; Shelbyville ch 17 25; 1st ch Effingham 10

201 26

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—First ch Sab-sch Crawfordsville 5 40; Hopewell ch 2; Centre ch 13; Rockfield ch 5. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—First ch Elkhart 11; Goshen ch 35. *Pby of Logansport*—South Behd ch 15; Sumptions Prairie ch 9; Crown Point ch 7 50; Valparaiso ch Sab-sch, to ed child at Beirut 35; 1st ch La Porte 6. *Pby of Muncie*—Jonesboro ch 1; Xenia ch 1

145 90

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Columbus ch 15 35; 3d ch Indianapolis 53 23. *Pby of Vincennes*—Vine st ch, Evansville 30; Carlisle ch 3 60; Indiana ch 13. *Pby of White Water*—New Castle ch 3; Aurora ch Sab-sch, to sup Pastor Yousif, Persia Mission 100; Rising Sun Sab-sch 15

233 13

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Dubuque*—Clermont ch 2; Frankville ch 5; Epworth ch Sab-sch 4; 1st ch Independence 14. *Pby of Waterloo*—Cedar Valley ch 1 50; Albion ch 12 15

38 65

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Leon and Decatur City ch 3; Olivet ch 3; Mt Ayr ch 1. *Pby of Iowa*—Kossuth ch Sab-sch 10; 1st Westminster ch, Keokuk 84; Oakland ch 5; Shiloh ch 4; Montrose ch 10 50; Troy ch Sab-sch 11 30; Kirkville ch 3 25; Oakland ch 5 90. *Pby of Iowa City*—Deep River ch 7; Victor ch 9. *Pby of Missouri River*—Second ch Omaha 30; Ponca ch 5

191 95

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Neosho*—First ch Ottawa 8 55; Neosho Falls ch 5; 1st ch Chetopa 20. *Pby of Topeka*—Rev P S Cleland 10

43 55

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—First ch Maysville 41; 1st ch Covington 222 85, Sab-sch 142 66 = 365 51. *Pby of Louisville*—Marion ch 35, Memorial 40 = 75; Hopkinsville ch 16, Sab-sch, Mary House 1 95 = 17 95; New Castle Sab-sch 15. *Pby of Transylvania*—Harrodsburg Sab-sch 10

524 46

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—First ch Remsen st 47 92; 1st ch Edgewater, S I 12 61; 2d ch mo con 55 93; Sab-sch Missy Soc'y for China 100, for Persia 100 = 255 93; S 3d st ch Williamsburg 207 84; Geneva ch 29 70. *Pby of Long Island*—Sag Harbor ch 20; West Hampton ch 20; Speonk ch 5; Franklinville ch 34. *Pby of Nassau*—Jamaica ch 39 26; Astoria ch 30 06; Fresh Pond ch, Jeremiah Brush 10; Forster's Meadow ch 3

715 32

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Grand Rapids*—Grand Rapids ch 50; 1st ch Ionia 38 33. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—First ch Allegan 27 10. *Pby of Lansing*—Mason ch 50; Concord ch 21 01. *Pby of Monroe*—First ch Adrian 25; Erie ch 12; Deerfield ch 3 45; Petersburg ch 5 55. *Pby of Saginaw*—Woodhull ch 8; 1st ch Corunna 7 28; 1st ch Flint 10

257 72

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Dakota*—Yankton Agency ch 5. *Pby of Mankato*—Redwood Falls ch 2; Beaver Falls ch 1; Le Sueur ch 3 87; Jackson ch 9. *Pby of St Paul*—Westminster ch, Minneapolis 12 06; Forest ch 5 50; Dundas ch 50 cts; 1st ch Belle Plaine 5; Goodhue ch 5; Florence ch 5. *Pby of Winona*—Sumner ch 2 50; Fillmore ch 3 64; St Charles ch 8, Father's tobacco box 18, to ed boy in Tungchow 26; South Rushford ch 3

89 07

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Jefferson City ch 8; 1st ch Clinton 11; Warrensburg ch 1; Deep Water ch 3. *Pby of Ozark*—Little Osage ch 5. *Pby of Palmyra*—West Ely ch 23; Pleasant Prairie ch 5. *Pby of Platte*—Chillicothe ch 12. *Pby of St Louis*—Kirkwood ch Sab-sch 59 05; Fulton ch 24 50; 1st Ger ch St Louis 16; Zoar ch 4; Bethel ch 10; St Charles ch 20; Nazareth Sab-sch 5 15; Zion ch 5 05; 2d ch Sab-sch St Louis 731; 1st ch Rolla 16

953 75

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Corisco*—Benita ch 7, Evangasimba ch 10, Dr Nassau 10, Miss Nassau 15; Miss Sneed 1; Rev Ibia 1 = 37;



Gaboon ch 12. *Pby of Elizabeth*—Elizabethport Sab-sch 10; Centre ch Summit 35 50; 1st ch Rahway 4 86; Pluckamin ch 100, Sab-sch 50 = 150; West ch Summit 33; New Providence ch Sab-sch 10. *Pby of Jersey City*—Englewood ch, for Gaboon and Syria Mission 128 75; 1st ch Paterson 175; 1st ch Jersey City 20 95; Rutherford Park ch 8 67. *Pby of Monmouth*—Manalapan ch 20; Cream Ridge ch 15; Squan Village ch 6; Tuckerton ch 6 50, Sab-sch 5 50 = 12; Bass River Sab-sch 4 50; Freehold Village ch 96 10, Sab-sch 128 90 = 225; Columbus ch 19 50; 1st ch Perrineville 6, Sab-sch 6 = 12; 1st ch Burlington 106, for Chefoo ch 35, Sab-sch 40 30 = 181 30; Hightstown ch 100, Sab-sch 50 = 150. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—South st ch, Morristown 171 33; New Vernon ch 30; 1st ch Orange, to con Rev Eldridge Mix and E P Starr *Life Members* 535, Sab-sch, for Miss Downing's work 50 = 585; Succasunna ch 20; Chester ch, Hattie and Bessie, for Beirut Sem'y 50 cts; 1st ch Morristown 129 89; 1st ch Sab-sch Hanover 5 40; Central ch, Orange 100, Sab-sch 123 = 223; Brick ch, Orange, for scholarship at Beirut 100. *Pby of Newark*—Wickliffe ch 11 95, "G" 2 = 13 95; 3d ch Newark 23 33; Park ch, Newark 179 35; 1st ch Newark, mo con 115 43, Mrs Rankin, for China 200, Ladies' Foreign Miss'y Soc'y 156 = 471 43; Lyons Farms ch 100; Calvary ch 21 79. *Pby of New Brunswick*—First ch New Brunswick 36 76; 3d ch Sab-sch Trenton, to sup girl at Dehra 40; 4th ch Trenton, Infant sch, to sup child 27 50; Ewing ch 118; Dutch Neck ch, mo con 57 63, Miss'y box 50 37 = 108; 1st ch Princeton 38 78; Kingston ch 10; Bennington ch 100; Stoney Brook Sab-sch 3 75; 2d ch Princeton 108. *Pby of Newton*—Blairstown ch 60 83, J J Blair 50, Sab-sch 46 29 = 157 12; 2d ch Oxford 150, Miss Mary E Seranton, to ed boy at Safeta 15 = 165; Stewartsville ch 147, Sab-sch 20 78 = 167 78; Knowlton ch 33; Hope ch 1; 1st ch Stillwater 5; Hackettstown ch 389, Sab-sch, to sup Rev T S Wynkoop 68 = 457; Musconetcong Valley ch 41 75, New Hampton Sab-sch 11 = 52 75. *Pby of West Jersey*—Deerfield ch 112; 1st ch Vineland 9; Greenwich ch 50; Cold Spring ch 40; 1st ch Cedarville 14 35 5,107 79

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—First ch Newburyport 77 89, Sab-sch, for Tungechow sch 25 = 102 89; Windham ch 64 75; 3d ch Boston 100; Central Cong'l ch Sab-sch Haverhill, to ed Miriam Zazone, in Syria 90. *Pby of Hudson*—Port Jarvis ch 17; Clarkstown Ger ch 2; Scotchtown ch 170; Florida ch 10, Sab-sch 5 = 15; Goshen ch 40 71, Sab-sch 25 = 65 71; 1st ch Washingtonville 31 75; West Town ch 58 22, Sab-sch 41 78 = 100; Monticello ch 26 50, Sab-sch 25 = 51 50; Canterbury ch 15; Haverstraw Central ch 40, Sab-sch, for Dehra sch 30 = 70; Mt Hope ch 10; Waldberg ch 25; Hamptonburg ch 13 07. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch 1,028 85, Sab-sch, for Gaboon Mission 5 10; Memorial 17 55 = 1,051 50; Ch of the Covenant 6,884 81; Madison Square ch 605, A Widow's Mite 5 = 610; 11th ch 244 51, Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 50 = 294 51; Eighty-fourth st ch 105, Sab-sch 20 = 125; University Place ch 44 75; West Twenty-third st ch 25 76, Sab-sch 25 = 50 76; Rutgers ch 920 69; Brick ch Chapel 12 88; West ch 850 70; Ger ch 6; 1st ch 168; Fourteenth st ch 573 63; 4th ch 1,079 16; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth st ch, a member, Memorial 250; For training Native Minister 125 = 375; Fourth Ave ch 297 94. *Pby of North River*—Freedom Plains ch 18 65; Matteawan ch 35; Marlborough ch Sab-sch 15. *Pby of Westchester*—Westminster ch, Yonkers, Sab-sch, to sup Catechist at Ningpo 120; Mt Washington ch 200; Riverdale ch 150; South Salem ch 65 25, Pastor for two quarters 60, Sab-sch 10 = 135 25; Mt Kisco ch 35; Gilead ch 27 20; South Greenburg ch for Ningpo 250, for Shantung Chapel 250 = 500; North Salem ch 17; Sing Sing ch 52; Bridgeport ch 152 50; South East Centre ch 89 80; Bedford ch 98. *Pby of West Africa*—Monrovia ch 16; Clay Ashland ch 8 15,958 40

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of San Francisco*—Brooklyn ch 7 90; Howard st ch 5 50 13 40

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—First ch Chester 80; New London ch, T Knewig, Memorial 5; Upper Octorara ch 132; Media ch 15. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Dunmore ch 10; Pittston ch 100; Monroeton ch 3; 1st ch Honesdale 770; 1st ch Scranton 340; Plains ch 2; Montrose ch, Mrs Miller's Sab-sch class, to sup a girl at Beirut 10; Towanda ch 44 03; 2d ch Wyalusing 15. *Pby of Lehigh*—First ch Easton 334, Sab-sch 57 32 = 391 32; Weatherly ch 10, Sab-sch 6, Memorial for Tungechow ch = 16; Stroudsburg ch 1, Sab-sch, to ed child 30 = 31; Whitehaven ch 5, Sab-sch 10 = 15; Port Carbon ch 40; Catasauqua ch 72. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Fifteenth ch 20; 6th ch Sab-sch, to sup child at Ningpo Hospital 60; Clinton st ch 137 38, Sab-sch, for Kolapoor 50 = 187 38; South ch Infant sch 10; 1st African ch 2 50; 10th ch, a Lady, to ed an Indian, Memorial 100; 2d ch, Mrs Ralston 10; Greenwich st ch 15. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Oxford ch 100, to con Rev T S Robbins *Life Director* 100 = 200; Olivet ch 80; Central ch, Northern Liberties 5; Hestonville ch 15; Kensington Sab-sch 35 68; Spring Garden Sab-sch 29 05; 1st ch Northern Liberties, to con Rev Thos James Shepherd, D.D., *Honorary Director* 100; Central ch 564 76; Cohocksink ch Sab-sch 81 60; Port Richmond ch 9. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Providence ch 38; Tioga st ch 14; Morrisville ch 50; Chestnut Hill Sab-sch 21; Hermon ch 50; Newtown ch, for Papal countries 13 72; Abington ch 54 87; Port Kennedy ch 86 93; Frankford ch 60; Bristol ch 50, Sab-sch 23 = 73; 1st ch Norristown, two members, Memorial 25; 2d ch Norristown 10; Neshaminy ch 55. *Pby of Westminster*—Marietta ch 100; Chestnut Level ch, Mrs Harriet Long 100; Lancaster ch Sab-sch 23 97; Wrightsville ch 50; Chanceford ch 63 18 4,454 90

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Total receipts from churches, \$4,318 45

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Elizabeth C Chauncey, dec'd, Philadelphia, less tax 4,762 50; Legacy of Jonah Shelton, dec'd, Columbia Co, N Y 1,203 63; Legacy of Ann Maria Moore, De Graff Co, Ohio 31 28; Patterson's Estate 16 \$6,018 41

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MISCELLANEOUS.—Mrs Mary Griffith, Castleton, N Y, for child at Gaboon 20; Mrs J B Worth 1; E S High, La Salle Co, Ill 5; D G. Philadelphia, for Italy 5, Spain 5; Mrs Grace M Sayre, Letart Falls, Ohio 20; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; H S B and wife 10; Mrs J E Dorland, N C 10; Geo M Oehler, N C, Memorial, for Kolapoor 5; "A Mother," for girls' sch 1; XXX 24 50; Rev E J Wells, Kankakee 5; A Friend 1000; Miss Mary Stewart, Brookville, Pa, for Chefoo 5; Wm Shear, Augusta, Ga, to ed native minister in heathen land. Memorial 100; Rev E C Wines, D D 10; Mrs Isabella S Mackey 5; Soc'y of Inq Union Theo'l Sem'y 16; A Friend 3; A Friend 2; A Friend, Prairie City 2 50; Rev G S Boardman, Little Falls, Memorial 50; Gen G Loomis 2 50; Miss Jane R Wilson, Shippensburg, Pa 5; East Greenbush Ref Sab-sch, to ed boy at Gaboon 20; Mrs S P Williams, Lina, Ind, to ed girl in Persia 26; Miss M W Foley, Paterson, Pa 10; Mrs Margaret A McKee, Memorial, for Brazil 12 50; James Lenox, for Ningpo Hospital 100; Rev E J Pierce 10; A Friend 10; A Friend of Missions 17 80; A Friend 10; Rel Con Soc'y, Princeton Sem'y, to con seven *Life Members* 97 54; C Arbuthnot, for Persia Mission 500; Mrs Eliza E Townsend 10; Rev John Gray, Havana, N Y 21; Tallahassee ch, Creek Mission 36; Annie E Spencer, to sup girl at Oromiah 25; A Friend 5; Widow's two mites 2; Ladies of Youngstown, Ohio, to ed girl at Dehra 33 60; Rev S W Chamberlain, Brazil, Memorial 36; Rev James G Wilson and wife 5; Outsiders and Insiders of Columbus Grove, Ohio 15; Mrs A W Ford, Berkshire, N Y, for Gaboon, Memorial 10; The parents of Chas K Wead, to con minister *Honorary Director* 100; D R, Memorial 22; R W B McLellan, St Elmo, Ill 250; Mrs S E Peabody, St Louis, Memorial 10; "Nassau" 500; Auburn Theo'l Sem'y Soc'y of Inq, to con Marcy E Nelson *Life Member* 30; Mrs C A M, thank offering 2; J E R 5; M 1; W S S 5; A Martien & Co, Receipts 209 04; Rev W S Curtis, Rockford, Ill, Memorial 25; Rev W E Honeyman 5; Chester Cong'l ch, Vt, for Bogota 24; Mrs Rev Dr Squier, Geneva, N Y 20; Mrs Mary Hand and Mrs Emily A Severance, Cleveland, Memorial, for Beirut Theo'l Sem'y 100; Mrs A S Gray, Oxford, Ohio 10; Rev A Williams, D.D. Leetsdale, Pa, Memorial 5; John A Dickey, Alleghany, Pa 5; Miss E Temple, Marshall, Ohio, Memorial 5; Willie Wolf, Freedom, Pa 2 03; A little boy, Upper St Clair, Pa, Memorial, for Tunghow 5 4,322 53

Total Receipts in April, 1871, \$61,037 11  
Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870, \$269,137 14

Special contributions for the debt—  
Amount previously acknowledged \$40,760 00  
Robert C Loomis 400; Lawrenceville ch, N J 450 00  
50 \$41,210 00

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*For Hangchow Chapel*—Pluckamin ch 500 00

*For Chapel in Persia*—William Thaw 380 00

*For Syria College Hospital*—Ladies' Board of For Miss, N Y 120 00

*For Chapel at Abeih*—C Williamson, South Hadley 5; Sundries from Memorial Fund 7,881 03 7,886 03

Total, \$9,336 53

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## OUR COLPORTAGE WORK.

Here is another leaf from the note-book of a Northwestern colporteur, who, during the last year has circulated one thousand five hundred and fifty volumes of books, and twenty-eight thousand pages of tracts, and has visited four thousand three hundred and forty-eight families. The most of this labor was performed among those either destitute or neglectful of religious privileges.

*Too much Calvinism.*

"An old gentleman, with whom I stayed over night, was sorry that my books had so much Calvinism in them. He said that he once believed those doctrines, but, had he continued to do so, he would never have become a Christian. To my inquiry as to how, then, he became a Christian, he replied that he began to think seriously, and was led to believe that he must *do something* to secure his salvation.

"'I see,' I replied, 'you thought you must perform some good works in order to secure your salvation.'

"'Yes; that was and is my opinion,' said he.

"'Well,' I answered, 'God says it is "not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost." Now which is right, you or God?'

"He made no answer, but soon changed the conversation to the railroad question."

*Better off without the Bible.*

"Another man thought this and other countries would be better off if there were no Bible, no Sabbath, no religion, as they were all calculated to deprive men of that enjoyment which their Creator intended them to have.

"'Well,' said I, 'if you are in earnest I would advise you to make your home in some part of the world where there are no Bibles and no Sabbaths, and where people can *enjoy themselves* without such restraint; where the young widow throws herself upon the burning funeral pile of her dead husband; where the mother casts her child into the Ganges, and where



people cast themselves before the bloody wheels of Juggernaut. They must have glorious times there. I don't see how you can content yourself to stay here another day. Why not move your family there, and get rid of Bibles, Sabbaths, and Christianity?"

"I then gave him a few suitable tracts and passed on."

*I can't understand it.*

"At another house I had a conversation with a woman upon religious subjects. Just as I left it her husband went in. He soon followed me down to the spring, (where I had stopped to water the horse *Beauty*,) and said, 'My wife says you are a colporteur; come and stay with us over night. I wish to have some talk with you upon religious subjects.' After supper he said that he had met with many things in the Bible which he could not understand. One of them was, how God could exist from all eternity.

"Do you believe He *does* exist?" I asked.

"Yes, he believed that, but he could not imagine *how* he could exist from all eternity.

"I inquired if he could imagine how such a Being could create or begin himself. He replied that he could not. 'Then why,' I asked, 'not believe the record which God has given of Himself?"

"Well, but I want to understand it," said he.

"But," I replied, 'you believe a thousand things which you do not and cannot understand. If you do not, you believe very little of what you see and hear. If you will to lift your arm you lift it. Can you understand the connection between the will and the act? No; yet you believe it. You believe that you have a body and a soul; yet you cannot understand how they exist together to form your being.' He assented to all this. 'Then,' said I, 'if you cannot understand yourself, why should you expect to understand God?"

"Our conversation then became more practical, and we talked freely and seriously upon the subject of religion. I read the Scriptures and prayed with the family morning and evening; gave them tracts, and left, after accepting a promise to stop with them the next time I pass that way." J. S. L.

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#### COLPORTAGE NEEDED IN TENNESSEE.

"Having recently returned from Tennessee, let me enlighten you a little about colporteur matters in that State. To say that the scenery is grand to the last degree, would only be saying what everybody knows who has seen it.

"If the Rev. W. B. Rankin should just take you up on his little farm back of Greenville as he did me, and direct your eyes over to Smoky Mountain, you would say, 'Isn't that grand; isn't it sublime.' Well this is only a specimen of the grandeur of the scenery of Tennessee, as seen in many places. Since our union with our New-School brethren, enlarging greatly our boundaries there, the condition of the State affords a basis for colporteur work equally imposing. With the additions mentioned we have quite a large Presbyterian influence. Some forty or fifty Presbyterian churches are



scattered up and down that fair region, and, as is usually the case, our people are occupying the best portions of that part of the State.

"But now, all up and down the fastnesses of that vast region there are others, by the thousands, living much more humbly in their log cabins and little shanties. Many are in extreme poverty, having nothing to buy with, yet joyfully received good words spoken sympathetically, and who greatly desire to have the bread of life in some form, whom only the colporteur can or will reach, and who would eagerly welcome the religious books of our Board of Publication to read on the Sabbath.

"There is many a poor mother with a house full of children. Whence is she to obtain money in her straitened circumstances to buy books for them? If the Board does not furnish them, she, and others in similar condition, will have to lie down on the bed of death and go to their long home unsupplied, unblessed, alas! too often unprepared. The colporteur's labors in that region bring to light many affecting cases just such as we have alluded to."

Who will come to the help of the missionary Fund of the Board, which is so nobly struggling to do this work, but which finds itself limited in this effort to spread light and knowledge among the dark and benighted, for want of the necessary means?

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#### HUNGRY FOR BOOKS.

From a worker in Missouri comes the following :

"The nice books, so well selected and expressed to me, reached me in good order and in good time. We are ever so much obliged. The books still remain in our family, and it seems to be like the ark of God in the house of Obed-edom. Not having seen any of our good publications for so long a time, we were ourselves hungry. And finding ourselves in such good pasture, we fell to eating. A little niece of ours, who is living with us, has read them nearly all. And you ought to see the delight of our babies with the pictures. Will not God bless them even in the sight of these good books?

"I am going to St. Francisville the first Sabbath in May. They are expecting the books. Oh what a time, and what glad hearts! I will drop a few lines more and tell all about the reception, when the books are delivered.

"What a blessing it would be in these waste places, if you could scatter hundreds and thousands more of these good books. It would make these deserts rejoice and blossom as the rose. When will the Church be rich enough to supply every one of her missionaries with her new publications? It would certainly be a grand good work were she able to do it.

"No money in this world was ever better invested than that invested in that package of books you have sent me. Only think of it! It may result in the salvation of a whole Sabbath-school. For this we will pray the great Head of the Church, and you know no word of his is ever to return to him void.

"And thus, too, by my asking and receiving, and you sending, and all uniting in praying, and the Lord of glory sending his Holy Spirit, we are all co-workers together in this great business of redemption. And thus uniting,

what blows do we give to the powers of darkness! If we faint not, but go forward in this good work, the kingdom will be ours in the end. Satan's kingdom must fall in ruins."

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#### VALUE OF A TRACT.

Who can estimate the value of a little tract? How many a one has been blessed to the saving of a soul! Every now and then a letter received at the rooms of the Board of Publication contains an incident like the following, which shows that the Holy Spirit accompanies and blesses the publications that thence go out over the land. It is from a pastor in Illinois.

"The donation of books to our needy Sabbath-school has been received, and gives great pleasure to our little folks. It is a good while since they have had a new library, and they appreciate this gift. A good deacon remarked last night, how very interesting even the smallest books were. I pray that these books may accomplish, severally, the good one tract, of the many you gave us during our revival last winter, did for the soul of a lady of our town. One of our elders asked for some of the smaller ones and placed them on his show-case. The lady mentioned picked up one, took it home, read it, and God blessed it to the salvation of her soul. A minister once remarked that one soul saved was sufficient reward for thirty years' labor. But here a few pages with their noiseless voice sends a soul rejoicing heavenward in a few hours. I know many other blessings are yet to flow from the tracts distributed. I found them invaluable in my pastoral work. I pray God to bless both you and the Board! We'll share the light that this 'star' gives together in its eternal shining."

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#### BOOKS OR TOBACCO?

The following incident related by a colporteur in Minnesota, shows what good a reasonable self-denial will enable us to do to ourselves and others:

"I drove over one rainy afternoon to see Mr. —, who expressed himself pleased to have an opportunity to purchase some of our books. He selected, and paid for, eleven dollars worth of substantial books, remarking as he did so, 'Some months ago I quit the use of tobacco. This is part of my tobacco money. Hereafter it all goes for books. When you get a new supply call again.'"

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<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Weatherly ch	3 60	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Mt Sterling ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Berlin ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Scioto</i> —Rome 1st ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Walnut Pine ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —De Graff ch	3 75
<i>Pby of Michigan</i> —Menomonee Sab-sch	33 00	<i>Pby of Southwest Missouri</i> —Mt Vernon and Avilla ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Minnesota</i> —Stillwater 1st ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Corinth ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Rockville Ger ch	3 50	Minerva ch	4 36
Ponca ch	1 00	<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Kirkwood ch	7 52
Brownville ch	8 00	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Jefferson City ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Dayton ch	5 00	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Taylors 1st ch	8 65
Manalapan ch	15 00	Farmington ch	1 00
Holmausville ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 2d ch	50 10
Tennent ch	25 00	Middle Greenville ch	1 00
Squan Village ch	2 00	Shaghticoke ch	8 25
Perrineville ch	4 00	Green Island 1st ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Constantine 1st ch	5 50	Mechanicsburg ch	2 00
Deerfield ch	2 00	Lansburg 1st ch	25 00
Petersburg ch	4 00	Troy 1st ch	34 00
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Mt Vernon ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Washington ch	10 00
Orange Central ch	50 00	<i>Pby of Wabash</i> —Effingham 1st ch	3 00
Ger Valley ch	16 51	<i>Pby of Warren</i> —Young America ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Kokomo ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Western Africa</i> —Clay Ashland ch	12 00
Selma ch	1 00	<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Portland ch, Hon J P Jones	50 00
Jonesburg ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Fall Brook ch	15 00
Hartford ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Western Reserve</i> —Westminster ch, Cleveland	5 00
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Newton ch	16 50	<i>Pby of Wilmington</i> —Chesapeake City ch	13 00
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Oak Grove ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Redwing ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Ger ch Newark	5 00	South Rushford ch	2 00
Roseville ch	72 72	Fillmore ch	2 60
Elizabeth 3d ch	38 00	<i>Pby of Winnelago</i> —Neenah ch	8 07
Park ch, Newark	30 00	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Berlin ch	3 00
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Cranberry 1st ch	20 00	Jackson ch	10 00
Pennington ch	45 00	Wooster ch	43 00
Liberty Corner ch	25 00	Mt Eaton ch	5 00
<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —New Lisbon ch	15 77	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —New Cumberland ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Iola ch	5 00	Holidays Cove ch	6 00
<i>Pby of New York</i> —German ch	4 00	West Union ch	5 00
New York ch	10 00	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Mt Kisco ch	20 00
Phillips ch	26 70	Stamford 1st ch Sab-sch	6 19
Ger Clarkstown ch	1 00	New Rochelle ch	25 00
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Wantago ch	10 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Deerfield ch	18 00
Hackettstown ch	39 66	Bridgeton 1st ch	50 00
North Hardiston ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Pequa ch	13 00
2d ch Oxford	30 00	Marietta ch	16 00
Stewartsville ch	21 00	Chanceford ch	12 00
Greenwich 1st ch	27 25	Strasburg ch	4 00
Knowlton ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Pulaski ch	3 00
Hope ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Watertown</i> —Stone St ch, Watertown	20 57
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Calvary (Newburg) ch	18 47	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Fairmount ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Northumberland 1st ch	10 00		
Milton ch	30 00		
Buffalo ch	11 00		
<i>Pby of Northern Missouri</i> —Canton ch	20 00		
<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Linton ch	3 40		
<i>Pby of Onondaga</i> —Syracuse 1st ch	33 66		
<i>Pby of Pataskala</i> —Canton ch	29 13		
<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Norristown 1st ch	21 65		
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Lower Mt Bethel ch	4 00		
Henry ch	18 00		
Yates City ch	5 00		
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —First ch	262 47		
Mrs Ralston, 2d ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Western ch	20 00		
Hestonville ch	5 00		
Port Richmond ch	9 00		
Central ch, N L	15 00		

## MISCELLANEOUS.

J M Sutton	2 00
J Russell	10 00
"R M W," New York	15 00
"E P," Wisconsin	10 00
Mrs Eliza E Townsend, Painted Post, Y N	5 00
"M L N," Bloomsburg	10 00
Rev A Vance, Unita, Tenn	1 25
Thompson Sab-sch, Minn	4 00

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A missionary in Iowa writes, "I cannot express my sense of the greatness of the benefit your check for five hundred dollars has done us. Before building, we were obliged to climb two flights of stairs to reach a cold, cheerless, and comfortless hall, for the use of which we had to pay one hundred and sixty dollars yearly rent. Without the aid received from your Board *we could not have built*. Now our beautiful little building, an architectural gem, and neatly furnished by our ladies and those friends whom God has raised up for us here, seems to us the dearest spot this side that bright place where 'the Lamb is the light' thereof. Our hearts are full of gratitude and gladness, and we say to you, and through you, to every congregation of our beloved Church, that the work of *Church Erection is fundamental* in our system of benevolent operation. My dear brother, you may expect each year a collection from this church."

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, APRIL 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Rochester Falls ch	\$3 50	<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Plainfield 1st ch	10 50
Fourth ch Albany, special	18,210 00	Unadilla 1st ch	3 30
Greenbush 1st ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Franklinville ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —First Ger ch Allegheny City	2 23	<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Covington ch	5 00
Fairmount ch, special	6 00	<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Woodbridge 1st ch, special	32 00
First ch Allegheny City, special	31 75	Connecticut Farms ch	25 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny City</i> —Plains ch	5 00	Summit Central ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Allon</i> —Shipman ch	20 00	Elizabethport ch	5 00
Plum Creek ch	3 75	Siloam ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Baltimore Central ch	17 53	<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Garland ch	5 00
Westminster ch, Baltimore	25 00	Pleasantville ch	22 44
Baltimore South ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Finlay</i> —Princeton ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Bellefonte</i> —First ch Sandusky	15 00	<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Jefferson ch	8 47
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Blairsville ch	90 00	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Fort Wayne 2d ch	16 00
Latrobe ch	28 00	<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Galena 1st ch	23 80
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Urbana 1st ch	26 90	Lawrence ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —South ch	299 15	<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Le Roy ch	42 52
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Carlisle 1st ch	112 15	<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Angelica ch	10 00
Fayetteville ch	9 00	<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Benton ch	25 00
Buffalo and Upper ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Pewamo ch	5 65
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Auburn Central ch	25 30	<i>Pby of Harrisburg</i> —York ch	3 10
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Marshalltown ch	13 50	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —West Town ch	10 00
New York ch	3 35	Waldberg ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Champlain</i> —Chateaugay ch	7 70	<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Lewistown ch	138 17
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —New London ch	51 20	East Freedom ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —German Zion ch	5 00	Altoona 1st ch	35 10
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Pilgrim ch, Cin	7 00	<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Shelbyville ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Westminster ch	50 00	Shiloh ch	2 00
Northfield ch	5 00	Indianapolis 1st ch, special	150 00
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Greenville ch	26 00	Indianapolis 2d ch	42 60
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Columbus 1st ch	36 93	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Croton ch	7 00
Lancaster ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Bergen 1st ch	63 30
London ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Allegon ch	20 35
<i>Pby of Corisco</i> —Benita ch	2 00	Plainwell ch	4 50
Evangelisimba ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Ebenezer ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Dakota</i> —Yankton Agency ch	3 00	Clarksburg ch	5 82
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Miami City ch	19 00	Marion ch	4 00
Yellow Springs ch	11 00	Rockbridge ch	4 00
Piqua 2d ch	15 00	Mt Pleasant ch	4 00
Tippecanoe ch	5 00	Kittanning ch	34 30
Bethel ch	2 00	Gilgal ch	10 00
Reily ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Towanda ch	112 00
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Leon and Decatur City ch	3 00	Seranton 1st ch	185 00
Mt Ayer ch	1 50	Wyalusing 2d ch	3 00
		<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Escanaba ch	8 00
		<i>Pby of Lansing</i> —Mason ch	16 00



<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Weatherly ch	3 00	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Rolla ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Loquasport</i> —Rockfield ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Hermion ch	2 00
South Bend ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Painted Post ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Sag Harbor ch	20 00	<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —First ch Syracuse	75 04
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Hopkinsville ch	2 00	Baldwinsville ch	11 79
<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Sodus ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 2d ch	52 11
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Aurora ch	15 00	Middle Granville ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Canton ch	29 13	Malta ch	1 00
New Lisbon 1st ch	21 25	Sandy Hill ch	15 00
Massillon ch	15 00	Lansingburg 1st ch	30 00
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Kingston ch	3 00	Green Island ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Newton ch	2 00	Mechanicsville ch	4 00
Pana ch	26 85	<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Bethany ch	50 88
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Milwaukee Calvary ch	40 50	Utica 1st ch	50 32
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Atlantic ch	2 00	Bethany ch	20 00
Bell Creek ch	1 77	Holland Patent ch	5 00
Ponca ch	2 03	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Washington ch	15 00
Blackbird Hills ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Cedar Valley ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —South Amboy ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Watertown</i> —Watertown 1st ch	78 00
Plumstead ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Fall Brook ch	5 00
Cream Ridge ch	3 00	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —New Rochelle ch	30 35
Squan Village ch	4 00	Mt Kisco ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Adrian 1st ch	50 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Bridgeton 1st ch, Memorial	25 00
<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Orange Central ch	75 00	Cold Spring ch	15 00
Mendham 1st ch	28 05	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Pequa ch	6 00
Rockaway ch	40 50	Marietta ch	6 00
Morristown 1st ch (H M O)	86 58	Strasburg ch	4 50
New Vernon ch	14 00	Little Brittain ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Selma ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Preston ch	4 20
Hartford ch	1 00	Fillmore ch	2 60
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Iola ch	42 50	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Berlin ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Calvary ch	4 95	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Fairmount ch	1 00
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Wicomico ch	25 00	Brownsville ch	1 00
Wilmington Central ch	45 00	Coshocton ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Hardiston ch	10 00	Linton ch	4 80
Oxford 2d ch	45 00	MISCELLANEOUS.	
Stewartsville ch	42 00	G W Knowls, Baltimore, Memorial	\$50 00
Hope ch	2 00	Emma Knowls, Baltimore, Memorial	50 00
Stillwater 1st ch	5 00	W G Knowls, Baltimore, Memorial	25 00
Swartwood ch	2 00	Geo G Knowls, Jr, Baltimore, Memorial	12 50
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Scotch ch, special	25 17	Rev R H Nassau	1 00
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Malden ch	13 00	Miss Nassau	1 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Lewisburg ch	31 71	Rev Chas Raymond	5 00
Northumberland 1st ch	5 00	Mahlon Mulford, Esq, Elizabeth, N J, special	500 00
Shamokintown ch	6 11	Joseph Hedges, Esq, Elizabeth, N J	1600 00
Milton ch	57 00	D H Pierson, Esq, Elizabeth, N J, special	500 00
Warrior Run ch	35 00	Friends in Indianapolis, special	450 00
Buffalo ch	11 00	S Davis, Fifth Ave, N Y, in part	25 00
<i>Pby of Osage</i> —Jefferson City ch	12 00	— Thompson, Fifth Ave, N Y	100 00
Warrensburg ch	18 00	A M Bruen, Fifth Ave, N Y	50 00
Clinton ch, add'l	5 00	— McCurdy, Ch of Covenant	25 00
<i>Pby of Otsego</i> —Richfield Springs ch	23 00	A Friend, Holland, N Y, Memorial	10 00
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Brookfield ch	5 00	Daniel Nolton, Holland, N Y, Memorial	5 00
<i>Pby of Ozark</i> —Little Osage ch	7 00	Horace Woodbridge, Holland, N Y, Memorial	5 00
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Grantsville ch	1 00	Miss Jane Wilson, Shippensburg, Pa	5 00
Callao ch	135 00	Rev M Hughes and wife, special	50 00
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Washington ch	10 00	H Fisk, Fifth Ave, N Y, add'l	1000 00
Knoxville ch	20 66	Friends in N Y, special	75 16 00
Yates City ch	8 00	A Garrison, Pittsburgh, special	50 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Philadelphia 1st ch	403 60	M C Gaston, Pittsburgh, special	5 00
Media ch	10 00	Friends in vicinity of Pittsburgh	544 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Hestonville ch	8 00	Mrs E E Townsend, Painted Post, N Y	10 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia North</i> —Frankford ch	40 00	Jno D Hotailing and wife, interest on Mortgage	84 00
Morrisville ch	5 00	Rev H Crosby, D.D, interest on Mortgage	70 00
Northern Liberty Central ch	15 00	Memorial Fund, special	1070 50
Tioga St ch	7 00	G Burnham, Memorial	50 00
Pottstown 1st ch	40 00	G M A, Memorial	10 00
Bristol ch	19 85	H Harvey, Baltimore, special	2140 00
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Pittsburg 4th ch	22 13	F G Burnham, Morristown	100 00
<i>Pby of Platte</i> —Chillicothe ch	15 00	Friends at Mendota, special	335 00
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Rochester Brick ch, special	236 00	John Dildine, Ohio	9 50
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —East Saginaw ch	5 00	M J Purhey, Memorial	5 00
Woodhull ch	3 00	Fannie M Thompson, Memorial	5 00
<i>Pby of Schuylcr</i> —Young America ch	5 00	S P Harbison, Memorial	5 00
Mt Sterling 1st ch, special	30 00	R L and A Stuart, special 2000	7000 00
Quincy 1st ch	29 00	Mrs Cleveland, interest on Mortgage	139 42
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Short Creek ch	4 25		
		Total for April,	\$49,464 19
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## CONTRIBUTIONS IN APRIL 1871.

## NEW YORK.

West Mendon Pres ch	\$7 20
East Hampton Sab sch	23 35
Campbelltown Pres ch, colored	13 63
Nyack Pres ch	10 00
Rye Pres ch	50 00
Rushford 1st Pres ch	5 00
Troy 2d Pres ch	52 10
Cohoes Pres ch	32 00
Clarence Pres ch	9 00
Middle Granville Pres ch	1 00
Le Roy Pres ch	31 60
Mt Washington Pres ch	234 33
Glenn's Falls Pres ch	37 00
Cazenovia 1st Pres ch	40 00
Tuscarora and Union Corners Pres ch, add'l	56
New York City ch of the Covenant, add'l	80 00
John Taylor Johnston, Esq, Scotch ch New York City	250 00
Portville Pres ch	10 00
Yonkers Westminster ch	15 60
Rochester City Brick ch	97 17
Sag Harbor, Mrs Teachout	2 00
Newark Sab-sch	27 00
Clarkstown German ch	2 00
Union Springs Pres ch	12 30
Malta Pres ch	1 00
West Town Pres ch	22 00
Painted Post, Mrs Eliza Townsend	5 00
New York City Brick ch	510 00
Green Island Pres ch	3 00
Dryden Pres ch	10 50
Mechanicsville Pres ch	2 00
New York City, Miss Sarah Lord	250 00
Jewett Pres ch	13 00
Greenville Pres ch	10 00
Phelps Pres ch	21 83
Pound Ridge Parsonage	15 00
Mt Kisco	15 00
South Third St Pres ch, Williamsburg	80 25
German ch, Williamsburg	5 00
Foster's Meadow Pres ch	3 00
Sag Harbor Pres ch	10 00
Brick ch chapel	25 45
Waldberg Pres ch	7 00
Lansingburg Pres ch	25 40
New Rochelle Pres ch	35 00
Painted Post	6 00

## NEW JERSEY.

Dayton Pres ch	\$5 00
Wantage 2d Pres ch	10 00
Newark, 1st German ch	10 00
Manalapan Pres ch	25 00
Holmansville Pres ch	8 00
Religious Contribution Society, Princeton Theological Seminary	88 85
Kirkpatrick Memorial ch	10 20
Hamilton Square Pres ch	7 70
Cream Ridge ch 2, Plumstead ch 1	3 00
North Hardiston Pres ch	10 00
Oxford 1st Pres ch	30 00
Stewartsville Pres ch	24 00
Walnut Grove Pres ch	25 00
Cranbury 1st Pres ch	25 00
Squan Village Pres ch	4 00
Connecticut Farms Pres ch	40 00
Dearfield Pres ch	14 00
Elizabeth 1st Pres ch	51 00
Central ch, Summit	5 00
Morristown 1st Pres ch, add'l	21 65
Rockaway Pres ch	45 00
New Vernon Pres ch	25 00
Orange, Central ch	175 00

Stillwater Pres ch	5 00
Swartwood Pres ch	2 00
South Park Pres ch	110 70
Cold Spring Pres ch	10 00
Siloam Pres ch	2 00

## PENNSYLVANIA.

Kittanning Pres ch	\$51 42
New Castle 2d Pres ch	19 00
Waynesburg Pres ch	5 00
Philadelphia, African 1st ch	5 00
Philadelphia, Mrs C C Cuyler, 2d Pres ch	10 00
West Chester, 1st Pres ch Sab-sch	15 41
Latrobe Pres ch	22 00
Wells Valley Pres ch	10 00
Garland Pres ch	2 00
Plains Pres ch	1 50
Lower Mt Bethel Pres ch	3 00
Hestonville Pres ch	10 00
Philadelphia, Central ch Northern Liberties	55 00
Strasburg Pres ch	4 50
Lewisburg Pres ch	44 58
Marietta Pres ch	16 00
Pegua Pres ch	20 25
Weatherly Pres ch	3 00
Currie's Run Pres ch	12 50
Morrisville Pres ch	15 00
Duncansville Pres ch	3 00
Williamsport Pres ch	100 00
Chanceford Pres ch	35 00
Martinsburg Pres ch	4 00
Dickinson Pres ch	10 00
Chester, 1st ch Sab-sch	10 00
Philadelphia, Kenderton ch Tioga St	66 00
Buffalo and Upper district chs	3 00
Little Britain Pres ch	10 00
White Haven Pres ch	6 00
Philadelphia, Mrs H M Ellison, of 10th Pres ch	25 00
Port Carbon Pres ch	15 00
Philipsburg Pres ch	4 00
Easton 1st Pres ch	81 00
Northumberland 1st Pres ch	10 00
Blairsville Pres ch	66 00
Sinking and Spring Creek Pres chs	55 00
Titusville Pres ch	100 00
Chestnut Level Pres ch	36 33
Lewistown Pres ch	218 85
Waynesburg Pres ch, add'l	2 00
Frankford Pres ch	50 00
Beachwoods Pres ch	8 00
Mrs Ralston, 2d Pres ch, Philadelphia	10 00
Warrior Run Pres ch	35 00
Towanda Pres ch, add'l	92 65
Milton Pres ch	50 00
Bristol Pres ch	25 00
Buffalo Pres ch, Presby of Northumberland	30 00
Philadelphia, "Old Pine Street" ch	100 00
Buffalo ch 7, Westminster ch 8	15 00
Pittston Pres ch	25 60
Gilgal Pres ch	10 00
Ebenezer Pres ch	13 60
Clarksburg Pres ch	9 49
Marion and Rockbridge Pres chs	8 00
Mt Pleasant Pres ch	3 00
Allegheny Central Pres ch	51 88
Clintonville Pres ch	6 00
Uniontown Pres ch	59 00
Media Pres ch	10 00
Wyalusing 2d Pres ch	3 00

## MARYLAND.

Churchville Pres ch	\$21 67
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Baltimore, Westminster ch	66 00	Clarinda Pres ch	5 85
Chestnut Grove Pres ch	10 75	Frankville Pres ch	4 00
Baltimore, Westminster ch	26 00	Hermon Pres ch	1 80
VIRGINIA.			
Alexandria 1st Pres ch	16 00	Walcott Pres ch	7 00
WEST VIRGINIA.			
Newburg ch 3, Portland ch 2	\$5 00	Independence, Rev J M Boggs	6 00
OHIO.			
Fairmount Pres ch	\$1 00	Cedar Falls Pres ch	3 00
Pilgrim ch, Cincinnati	9 00	Red Oaks Pres ch	8 00
Sandusky 1st Pres ch	16 00	KENTUCKY.	
Kirkwood Pres ch	12 50	Hopkinsville Pres ch	\$5 00
Synod of Cincinnati	41 66	Rev H P Thompson, Catawba	2 00
Bethel ch 2, Reily ch 10, Rev Chas H Raymond 5	17 00	MICHIGAN.	
Concord Pres ch	10 00	Escanaba Pres ch	\$3 00
Cleveland, Westminster ch	50 00	Holly Pres ch	11 00
Berlin Pres ch	14 00	Adrian Pres ch	15 00
Massillon Pres ch	15 00	Mason Pres ch	16 00
Reiley Creek, North Bethel, and Johnstown Pres chs	17 00	Grand Rapids, Westminster ch	6 00
Northfield	10 00	Allegan Pres ch	14 40
Miami City Pres ch	20 00	Woodhull Pres ch	2 00
Columbus 1st Pres ch	134 10	MINNESOTA.	
New Lisbon Pres ch	21 25	Albert Lea Pres ch	\$1 00
Fredericksburg Pres ch	37 00	Taylor's Falls Pres ch	8 10
Minerva	4 36	Rochester 1st Pres ch	6 35
Still Fork	5 43	Rushford Pres ch	1 00
First German ch, Allegheny	2 23	Preston Pres ch	5 22
Berlin Pres ch	3 00	Fillmore Pres ch	3 12
Pittsburgh 4th Pres ch	22 12	Belle Plaine Pres ch	3 00
Valley Pres ch	10 00	Farmington Pres ch	1 00
Canton Pres ch	43 75	MISSOURI.	
ILLINOIS.			
Henry 1st Pres ch	\$17 00	Jefferson City Pres ch	\$6 00
Mrs J B Worth	1 00	Rolla Pres ch	5 00
Young America Pres ch	5 00	Ponca	1 00
Pontiac 1st Pres ch	23 25	WISCONSIN.	
Canton Pres ch	6 30	Pulaski Pres ch	\$4 00
Good Hope Pres ch	5 00	Milwaukee Calvary ch	39 95
Effingham 1st Pres ch	3 00	Madison Pres ch	14 00
Rossville Pres ch	2 00	Superior Pres ch	3 00
Carbon-tale Pres ch	5 00	KANSAS.	
Fountain Green Pres ch	7 00	Chetopa Pres ch	\$5 00
Sparta 1st Pres ch	5 00	Atechison Pres ch	10 00
Quincy Pres ch	23 95	NEBRASKA.	
INDIANA.			
South Bend Pres ch	\$6 00	Brownville Pres ch	\$8 00
Shiloh Pres ch	2 00	Blackbird Hill Pres ch	6 00
Hartford City Pres ch	1 00	SOUTH CAROLINA.	
Xenia Pres ch	2 00	James Island Pres ch	\$3 50
German ch, Jackson co	4 00	TEXAS.	
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Dexter Pres ch	\$ 75	Austin Pres ch, add'l	\$7 50
Pleasant Grove Pres ch	2 00	WEST AFRICA, CORISCO.	
Middletown Pres ch	10 00	Evangasimba ch 1, Benita ch 3, Rev R H Nassau 5	9 00
Boxly ch 2 50, Noblesville ch 2 50	5 00	Presby of Western Africa	20 19
Winterset Pres ch	12 95	MONEY REFUNDED	
Cedar Valley Pres ch	2 00	Income Permanent Fund	300 00
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D H Bush, Esq. of Carbondale, Ill	\$100 00
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"S T B," East Thirty-eighth st, New York City	50 00
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Benevolent Fund of 2d Pres ch, St Louis	50 03
Second ch, Cleveland, Ohio	200 03
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Member of 7th ch, Cincinnati, O	5 00
Presbyterian ch, Harrisburg, Pa	10 00

Rev J B Beaumont and Mrs H N Beaumont, Waverly, N Y	25 00
First ch, Mahanoy City, Presby of Lackawanna	27 01
Ebenezer ch, Presby of Kittanning, Rev D J Irwin 5, Mrs Sarah H Irwin 5, Miss Maria Elder 5	15 00
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Members of West Spruce st ch, Phila	20 00
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First ch Constantine, Mich	5 00	Gilgal ch, Presby of Saltsburg	10 00
John M Wilt, Fort Wayne, Ind	10 00	Annapolis ch, Presby of Steubenville	12 00
Petersburgh ch, Presby of Carlisle	2 00	Carlisle ch, Kansas	4 45
Waynesburg ch, Presby of Chester	35 80	Hornellsville ch, N Y	30 00
Geneseo ch, Presby of Rock River	5 00	Nottingham ch, Presby of St Clairsville	22 50
First ch Lambertville, N J, Presby of New Brunswick	30 00	Utica ch, Presby of Winona	1 50
First ch Little Falls, Presby of Utica	30 00	Golconda ch, Presby of Cairo	2 00
Pine Grove ch, Presby of Butler	8 00	North East ch, Presby of Erie	15 00
Mt Vernon ch, Presby of Richland	9 52	Second ch New Castle, Presby of Shenango	25 00
Zeeland ch, Mich	2 00	Albert Lea ch, Presby of Minnesota	2 00
St Luke's ch, New Market, Tenn, colored	4 50	Dexter ch, Presby of Des Moines	50
S T Wilson, Birmingham, Pa	10 00	Chariton ch, Iowa	5 55
Sab-sch of Westfield ch, Pres of Shenango	13 27	Westminster ch, Baltimore, Md	57 00
Calvary ch, Phila, for schools in S C	193 43	Browsville ch, Presby of Missouri River	15 00
First ch, Alton, Ill	26 30	Rev G W Warner, Presby of Columbia	10 00
Saratoga Springs ch, N Y	25 00	Jamesburgh ch, Presby of Monmouth	10 00
Lawrenceburg ch, Pa	12 00	Parsippany Sab-sch, Presby of Morris and Orange	7 50
Muscatine ch, Presby of Iowa	25 00	Springfield ch, Presby of Elizabeth	4 00
Winnebago City ch, Minn	2 00	Alamo ch, Presby of Kalamazoo	15 00
Still Fork ch, Presby of Steubenville	5 00	Third ch Rochester, Presby of Rochester City	50 00
Princeville ch, Presby of Peoria	17 00	Charlton ch, Presby of Albany	22 00
First Ger ch Allegheny, Presby of Allegheny	2 23	Andover ch, Presby of Newton	2 00
Bloomfield ch, Presby of Iowa	2 25	Geo W Beale, Esq, New York City	100 00
Cambridge, Ind	3 00	Shiloh ch, New York City	10 00
Chas H Grant, West Spruce st ch, Presby of Philadelphia	15 00	First ch Metuchin, Presby of Elizabeth	6 00
Panama ch, N Y	3 10	Lawrence st ch, Presby of Brooklyn	2 00
Lewistown ch, Illinois	35 80	First ch Bloomsbury, Presby of Newton	2 00
Friends near Adams Mills, O, per M Scott, for Scotia Seminary building	150 00	Lower Mt Bethel ch, Presby of Lehigh	7 00
Stanton, Mich	2 00	Bridge st ch, Georgetown, Presby of Washington City	34 00
Berlin ch, Presby of Wooster	3 50	"A Friend," New York City, Memorial	15 00
Ebensburg ch, Presby of Blairsville	10 00	Bethlehem ch, Presby of St Louis	2 00
First ch Geneseo Village, N Y	40 00	Zoar ch, Presby of St Louis	10 00
First ch, Meadville, Presby of Erie	21 00	Bethel ch, Presby of St Louis	9 00
Attica ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	1 00	Narscette ch, Presby of St Louis	6 00
St Anthony ch, Presby of St Paul	4 50	Lyman Marshall, Lebanon, Ills, Memorial	5 00
Palmyra ch, Presby of Palmyra	10 00	Lake City ch, Presby of Winona	5 00
Haverstraw Central ch, Presby of Hudson	20 00	Lancaster ch, Presby of Westminster	18 33
Canaan Centre ch, Presby of Columbia	13 00	West Spruce st ch, Philadelphia	373 05
Frankford ch, Presby of Philadelphia North	30 00	Second ch and Sab-sch of Troy, N Y	55 00
Petroleum Centre ch, Pa	36 50	Lexington ch, Presby of New Albany	4 00
Second ch Amwell, Presby of New Brunswick	5 00	Rye ch, Presby of West Chester	60 00
Evans Creek, Ohio	3 00	Washington ch, Presby of Highland	1 00
Fourth ch Pittsburgh, Presby of Pittsburgh	45 00	Lonaconing ch, Presby of Baltimore	2 50
Valley ch, Presby of Allegheny	10 00	New London ch, of which 16 from Mrs M M C, Presby of Chester	55 00
Part of a legacy of 500, made by W McClintock, dec'd, previously deducted as U S tax	30 00	Frenchtown ch, Presby of New Brunswick	20 00
Olivesburg ch, Presby of Wooster	7 90	Abington ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	10 00
Salem ch, Presby of Troy	27 00	Dutch Neck ch, Presby of New Brunswick	20 00
Westminster, N Y	10 75	Tuckahoe ch, Presby of West Jersey	1 00
Shelbyville, Ky	7 00	Columbia Avenue ch, Presby of Philadelphia Central	2 00
Sab-sch of Mt Pleasant, Iowa, for student in Lincoln University	25 00	Mars Hill ch, Presby of Kingston	2 00
Chestnut Hill ch, a donation by Thos Potter, Esq. per Rev R Owen, Philadelphia	100 00	Pencader ch, Glasgow, Del	5 88
Buck Creek ch, Presby of Chillicothe	20 00	Bedford ch, Presby of Huntington	10 00
Springdale ch, Presby of Cincinnati	36 00	First ch Camden, Presby of West Jersey	20 00
Hamilton ch, Presby of Dayton	3 00	Westminster ch, Presby of Philadelphia	8 00
Mt Vernon ch, Presby of Vincennes	4 00	Groveland ch, Presby of Rochester	12 45
Somerset ch, Presby of Cincinnati	6 00	Arch st ch, Philadelphia, Presby of Philadelphia Central	253 10
Somerville ch, Presby of Dayton	3 67	Kennett Square ch, Presby of Chester	5 00
Burlington ch, Presby of Ebenezer, per J M Preston	20 00	Chester ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	10 00
Wyoming ch, Presby of Lackawanna	5 00	Sheldon ch, Presby of Winona	3 00
First Ger ch Dubuque, Presby of Iowa	5 00	Havre de Grace ch	5 00
		First ch Rome, N Y	53 39
		First ch Henry, Presby of Peoria	21 00
		Pleasant Grove ch, Presby of Dubuque	2 00



Holmansville ch, Presby of Monmouth	6 00	Dayton ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	5 00
First Holland ch, Milwaukee, Presby of Wisconsin	5 00	West Liberty ch, Iowa	1 00
Friends in Delaware, for Scotia Seminary	20 00	Cedar Valley ch, Iowa	1 00
D A Newill and wife, Allegheny, Pa, for Biddle Institute	10 00	Hardyston ch, Presby of Newton	5 00
New Providence ch, Presby of Redstone	4 00	First ch Adrian, Mich	15 00
Geo D Swift, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	First ch Kirkwood, Presby of St Clairsville	10 29
R M Dickey, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	Weatherly ch, Pa	3 00
Eliza M White, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	Apollo ch, Presby of Kittanning	14 35
Beckie W Thompson, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	Thos Day, Scotia Seminary, Memorial	5 00
Francis L Swift, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	Rev J A Cresfield, Scotia Seminary, Memorial	10 00
E J Murray, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	J R Nocho, Scotia Seminary, Memorial	5 00
Mrs Mary Burchfield, Allegheny, Pa, Memorial Biddle Institute	5 00	Ladies in 2d ch Mercer, Pa, special for Miss A L Ethridge	21 00
Latrobe ch, Presby of Blairsville	60 00	First ch Williamsport, Pa	50 00
Canonsburg, Pa	20 50	Third ch Philadelphia, Pa	47 00
Sherill's Mound ch, Presby of Dubuque	8 60	Scotch 14th ch, Presby of New York	160 00
Camden Mills ch, Presby of Rock River	3 25	Poughkeepsie ch, Presby of North River	106 54
Escanaba ch, Mich	15 00	Mrs L Gaston, Brown ch, Ohio, Memorial	5 00
E J Hill, Kankakee, Ill	2 00	First ch La Porte, Presby of Logansport	3 00
Dayton ch, Presby of Monmouth	5 00	Sab-sch Newark, N Y	27 00
Lexington ch, Presby of Worcester	18 20	Stewartsville ch, Presby of Newton	23 00
Mt Morris ch, Presby of Rochester	4 00	Hartford ch, Presby of Muncie	1 00
Northport ch, Presby of Nassau	5 00	Lower Marsh Creek ch, Presby of Carlisle	13 87
Second ch, Baltimore, Presby of Baltimore	3 00	Great Conewago ch, Presby of Carlisle	4 88
Logansport ch, Presby of Logansport	10 00	Pine Grove ch, Presby of Huntington	4 00
Bond Brook ch, Presby of New Brunswick	10 00	Second ch Piqua, Ohio	10 00
Parsippany ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	25 00	Columbus ch, Ind	14 40
Wantage ch, Presby of Newton	10 00	First ch Bergen, Presby of Jersey City	25 00
First ch Rushford, Presby of Genesee Valley	7 00	Madison Square ch, Presby of New York	432 50
Lamington ch, Presby of Elizabeth	5 00	Mrs Lucinda Sennott, ch of Jersey, Ohio, Presby of Zanesville, Memorial	10 00
Greenwood ch, Presby of Grand Rapids	1 00	Miss Esther Templin, Marshall, Ohio,	5 00
Muir ch, Presby of Grand Rapids	1 00	Ramapo ch, Presby of Hudson	10 00
Fairmount ch, Presby of Zanesville	1 00	Tuscalo ch, Presby of Mattoon	5 00
Sinking Valley ch, Presby of Huntington	4 32	Liberty Corner ch, Presby of Elizabeth	5 00
Sab-sch of Goshen, Ind, for Miss Hudson, N C	35 00	Orangeville ch, Presby of Northumberland	2 00
First ch Ithaca, Presby of Geneva, for Miss Higgins	123 00	Clarkstown German ch, Presby of Hudson	1 00
West Clarence ch, N Y	5 00	Buffalo and Upper chs, Presby of Carlisle	36 00
Presbyterian Socy of Le Roy, N Y	44 73	Bedford ch, Presby of West Chester	20 50
Friends to the cause, Mansfield, Pa	1 00	Madison Square ch, Presby of New York	100 00
Hermion ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	25 00	Western ch, Philadelphia	20 00
New Windsor ch, Presby of Baltimore	1 05	Hestonville ch, Presby of Philadelphia	Central 5 00
Pewanno ch, Mich	1 00	Holmansville ch, Presby of Monmouth	6 00
Sab-sch of colored ch, Charlotte, N C	8 00	Hovey ch, Ill	5 00
Green Hill ch, Pa	5 00	Odin ch, Ill	3 75
South Rushford ch, Presby of Winona	1 00	Sab-sch of Rockland, Presby of New Castle	8 50
Freemont ch, Presby of Winona	1 00	Young America ch, Ill	5 00
Pine Run ch, Presby of Kittanning	9 50	Morrisville ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	5 00
First ch Syracuse, New York	52 40	First ch Reading	30 00
Clifton ch, Presby of Dayton	73 90	Frederick ch, Md	3 00
First ch Bridgeton, N J	110 00	Pisgah ch, Presby of Marion	5 00
Third ch Indianapolis, Ind	25 00	First ch Cranbury, N J	25 00
Logan ch, Presby of Yadkin	90	C W McGonnigal, Pan Handle, W Va, for Scotia Seminary	50 00
Cameron ch, Presby of Yadkin	25	Conneautville ch, Presby of Erie	8 75
New Centre ch, Presby of Yadkin	10	Mansfield ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	10 00
Unknown, Presby of Yadkin	25	Tipton ch, Iowa	7 55
Manalapan ch, Presby of Monmouth	20 00	Leechburgh ch, Presby of Kittanning	41 50
Louisburg sch, Presby of Yadkin	5 00	Blue Grass ch, Presby of Iowa	1 80
Spring st Sab-sch, New York	50 00	Herman ch, Presby of Iowa	3 20
Nathan Lane, Esq, New York	10 00	Missionary Society of 3d ch Sab-sch, Cincinnati, Ohio, for colored schools	50 00
First ch Ottawa, Kansas	7 50	Malta ch, N Y	1 00
Waltham ch, Presby of Ottawa	25 00	Marion and Rockbridge chs, Presby of Kittanning	8 00
Corinth ch, Presby of Steubenville	8 00	Knowlton ch, Pa	2 00
Lewisburg ch, Presby of Northumberland	30 71	Hope ch, Pa	2 00
Saxon ch, Pa	5 00	Mt Pleasant ch, Presby of Kittanning	4 21
Orwell ch, Presby of Cleveland	5 00	Wicomico ch, Md, Presby of New Castle	10 00
Middle Granville ch, Presby of Troy	1 00	Westminster ch, Presby of Cleveland	19 50
Mrs F G Lewis, Waynesburg, Pa, for property at Winnsboro', S C, Memorial	100 00	Fairview ch, Presby of Washington	2 00
Members of ch of Kittanning, Presby of Saltsburg, Memorial	32 00	First ch, Easton, Pa	20 00
Curry's Run ch, Presby of Kittanning	10 00	Rolla ch, Mo	5 00
Mrs H A Turner, Leverings, O, for Girls School, N C	10 00	Brooklyn ch, Presby of Schuyler	1 35
First ch Chetopa, Kansas	5 00	Huntsville ch, Presby of Schuyler	75
Hollidaysburg ch, Presby of Huntington	24 00	Dunmore ch, Pa	4 00
Salisbury colored ch, Presby of Yadkin	1 75	Seewickley ch, Rev E S Blake, Memorial	10 00
Central ch, Presby of Northern Liberties	15 00	Owego ch, Presby of Binghamton	54 56
		Hopkinsville ch, Presby of Louisville	5 00
		South Amboy ch, Presby of Monmouth	5 00
		German Valley ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	25 87
		First ch Painted Post, Presby of Steuben	5 00
		South Baltimore ch, Presby of Baltimore	10 00
		Second Brooklyn ch, Presby of Brooklyn	89 13

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The second great Assembly of the reunited Church is over. The people will anxiously look to see what has been done, and what is planned, by the Assembly to carry on her vast work in the land and world. To answer this laudable desire we publish in this month's *Record* the Report made by Dr. H. Johnson, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Home Missions of the Assembly.

The Standing Committee on Home Missions, to whom was referred the Sixty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions, and the First Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions, and also certain overtures with reference to the prosecution of the work, would respectfully report as follows:

*The Board of Domestic Missions.*

In reviewing the Sixty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions, your Committee would recognize the long continued and faithful services of the Board, and would recommend that the thanks of this Assembly be tendered to the Board, and especially to the Secretary, for the efficient manner in which the great work has been conducted.

We find that the receipts from all sources, from March 1, 1870, to April 13, 1871, were \$37,224.36, which, with the balance on hand March 1, 1870, viz: \$65,037.69, made the available resources of the Board \$102,261.95. The payments to the missionaries were promptly and fully made up to the 15th of July, when the missionary operations of the Board, and \$30,000 in the treasury, were transferred to the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions in New York city. Since that time, the further sum of \$10,800



has been transmitted, leaving in the treasury of the Board, on the 13th day of April, 1871, the sum of \$379.72.

Your Committee would recommend, in accordance with the suggestion of the Board of Domestic Missions, that the Board be perpetuated in order to preserve the title to the real estate in the Board's possession, and to collect the legacies made to the Board. To this end the Committee would recommend the re-election of the following persons whose term of service expires at this time.

*Ministers*—C. C. Beatty, D.D., N. C. Burt, D.D., E. Kempshall, Willis Lord, D.D., J. Trumbull Backus, D.D., R. A. De Lancy, D.D., W. D. Howard, D.D., J. L. McKee, D.D., John McLean, D.D., J. H. M. Knox, D.D., Joseph McElroy, D.D., John Hall, D.D., F. R. Harbaugh, J. G. Symmes, E. D. Saunders, D.D.

*Laymen*—James Lenox, E. M. Doty, Archibald McClure, G. N. Loomis, C. C. Beatty, M. D., S. M. Breckinridge, Henry Harper.

We unite with the Board in thankful recognition of God's benignant favor during the past year. Amidst the difficulties and perplexities attending reorganization and consolidation, it has been impossible to meet all the demands of the field, and to satisfy all the expectations of the laborers in it. The work of reconstructing the machinery of the Church so as to adjust it to our changed circumstances has been too vast and complicated to be effected wholly without friction. But we make grateful record of the fidelity of the Board to their great trust.

In reviewing their First Annual Report, and looking out upon the field of their operations, we are impressed with

### *The Marvellous Development.*

The country is striding to material greatness. We are peopling the continental solitudes with almost the swiftness of thought. Villages are born in a day. New spiritual harvests ripe for reaping spring up in a night. The things that were not, yesterday, are the things that are, to-day. Five millions have made their homes west of the Mississippi during the last decade. Three new post offices a day are alike the evidences and the demands of intelligent progress. In Nebraska alone, sixty homesteads, and nine thousand acres have been the average sales to actual settlers every day of the past year. We are civilizing, and developing, and peopling literally by steam; for a railroad is scarcely born in the brain of some man of enterprise, before it is banding some State or Territory with its iron lines, and pulling after it industry, and wealth, and homes, and people.

### *The Open Door.*

Never did God set before his church such an open door. Never did he bless his people with a grander opportunity. The means of communication and the facilities of intercourse multiply even more rapidly than the enlargements and the necessities of the field. There are no far off isolations compelling neglect. We can almost touch the two oceans between the Sabbaths. No indifference, therefore, can be justified on the ground of inaccessibility.

### *The Agencies Employed.*

What have we as a Church in the way of agencies for this great work? First of all, our admirable system of Church Polity, conserving alike liberty and law, at once flexible and stable, meeting the demands of the remotest frontier, and adapted as well to our populous cities. We have also an efficient executive Board in close and sympathetic connection with twelve hundred and thirty-three missionaries—faithful men of God—illustrating in their cross-signed lives the spirit and the power of the gospel they preach. They con-



stitute about one-third of the entire ministerial force of our Church, making us apostolic and Christ-like, in so far as they thus prove, in our possession of the spirit of missions, that we are possessed of the mind and heart of the Master. In the support of these men, and in aiding the prosecution of their work, we have expended upwards of \$350,000.

### *The Achieved Results.*

Have these men given good proof of their ministry? What is the result of this large expenditure of money and toil? Much that escapes all analysis, that never can be put into speech, that can be tabulated only in the minutes kept by God. But much also that we can see with our eyes, and handle with our hands, and on account of which the heart of our re-united Church should be stirred and thrilled with grateful joy. More than a seventh of the missionaries have failed to send in their statistical reports, and yet the balance cheer us with the record of the organization of 156 churches during the year, the birth to God of over 5,000 souls, and the union with the Church on profession of faith of over 6,000, while nearly 100,000 children and youth have been under their care in the Sabbath-schools. In addition to this, over 300 church edifices have been built, or repaired and enlarged; \$228,000 of church debts have been cancelled, and these same mission fields, for which we have expended \$350,000, have poured back into the treasury of the Memorial Fund alone \$339,410!

All this has been accomplished while the Church was in the midst of the process of reconstruction, with Presbyteries changing their officers and boundaries, and the whole machinery of the Church necessarily disarranged in the confusion incident to consolidation. It has been accomplished with want often staring our missionaries in the face, and with the Board staggering through many months of the year under the painful and oppressive consciousness of an empty and overdrawn treasury. Let us thank God that though the year has been one of unusual trials and difficulties, it has borne such fruit to the glory of his holy name.

### *The Necessity of Enlargement.*

But the work must be enlarged. The necessity and the opportunity can alone be the measure of our duty; and the necessity and the opportunity are widening every day. The old grooves of Christian effort, the old standards of Christian giving, the old measures of Christian activity will not answer. We must be as quick with our gospel according to Christ, as the world is with its gospel according to mammon. We must move with the spirit of the age. We must conceive and achieve large things for God, proportionate to the peerless privilege with which he favors us.

Our grand Memorial enterprise, instead of being any longer a measurably diverting movement in connection with the work of missions, is now solidified as a base of inspirational and fortifying power. We have adjusted our forces. We are equipped for the service. Love has lived down all apprehension. Trust has disarmed all doubt. God's Holy Spirit has welded us together. Behind our more than twelve hundred missionaries are the members and material resources and spiritual activities and powers of a re-united Church. Before them, and before us is a continent to be possessed for Christ. This is "the great door and effectual" set in our path of God. These are "the gates" through which we are to go, casting up the highway, gathering out the stones and lifting up a standard for the people.

We endorse and commend the courage of the Board as they say, "trusting in God, though our treasury be empty, we have resolved to go forward, to lay out large plans, to project generous schemes for the future." There is

no other course left us, without proving recreant to duty and the claims of Christ and our common humanity. Let us consecrate the work by consecrating ourselves to the work, and in the work, and God will crown the new year with larger tokens of his love and favor.

### *The Basis.*

In accordance with the suggestion of the Board, and in compliance with the obvious necessities of the case growing out of re-union, your Committee would recommend the following for adoption by the Assembly as a new embodiment of the principles and laws of Home Missions, to be the out-line or basis of operations for the time to come.

1st. *The Work.* The work of Home Missions is based on our Lord's command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," so far as that command is applicable to this country. The grand purpose of the Assembly is to establish self-sustaining churches as fast and as far as possible, and so to increase the solid material and power of the Church, and to accumulate strength to go forward with the work as our population increases, till all the people shall be able to hear the gospel. Ministers and means are to be distributed according to the relative importance and promise of different fields and in view of the necessities of the whole country, that there may be equality and no partiality.

2d. *Mode of Operations.* The Church conducts this work through a Board responsible to the Assembly alone, under its advice and control, which Board is expected to exercise sound discretion and good judgment in carrying forward the Home Missionary Work. This Board consists of fifteen members, of whom not more than eight shall be ministers of the gospel, arranged in three classes, to serve one, two, and three years respectively, and their successors to serve for three years, to be appointed by the Assembly. Five of the Board shall be a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business, and the majority shall be a quorum for the election of officers and the determination of their salaries.

3d. *Of the Board and its Duties.* The Board shall elect annually two Secretaries and a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be requisite for the successful prosecution of the work.

They shall have power to fill, until the meeting of the next Assembly, their own vacancies, to appoint their own meetings, to determine the specific duties of their officers and to make their own by-laws. They shall undertake the work of aiding such congregations as are unable fully to support the stated preaching of the gospel; shall appoint and commission the missionaries; and shall give them all needful instruction as to the place and character of their labors.

4th. *Of the Relations of the Board to the Presbyteries.* It is not the design of the General Assembly to supersede the action of the different ecclesiastical bodies connected with it, but to encourage and give unity and efficiency to their action, so as to bring out the full adaptation and force of the Presbyterian system in connection with Home Missions. The Presbyteries are requested to appoint Standing Committees on Home Missions, to report to the Board the destitution in their own bounds, to select and nominate missionaries for their own fields, and to recommend the amount of their compensation, it being understood that the appointing power is wholly with the Board, that no contract made by a Presbytery or a Presbyterial Committee can have any binding force on the Board; and that except in extreme cases, such as frontier work, no appropriation shall be made to any Congregation that is not endorsed by the Presbytery, or the Presbyterial Committee of the Presbytery with which the congregation is connected.



5th. *Of the Union of contiguous Congregations.* It is earnestly recommended to the Presbyteries and to the Board, to encourage more and more the union of small congregations in the support of one pastor, which congregations separately are unable of themselves to sustain a minister; and to encourage also settlements as pastors, and this with a view to the more efficient support of the ordinances, and with less expensive missionary funds.

6th. *The Duties of Presbyteries.* Presbyteries should carefully weigh the relative claims of old organizations and of new enterprises, that one may not be sacrificed to another.

As to the former, they should ascertain if any ought to be discontinued, what may be done to stimulate them to greater efforts for self-support, and if appropriations to them should not be curtailed or refused; and as to the latter—the new enterprises—they should be undertaken only where the providential indications point out their necessity, and never to establish denominational interests where there is really no call nor room for them, or where another denomination of like general faith and order is in possession of the field, and is doing all that is fairly needed to supply it with the gospel.

7th. *Applications.* Applications forwarded by the Presbyteries to the Board should state all the facts which the Board should know, in order to form a correct and intelligent estimate of the importance and necessities of the case. Such as the location of the church, its positive and relative, its present and prospective importance, its proximity to other Presbyterian churches, its age, numbers, pecuniary ability and necessities, as well as the number in the missionary's family, the price of house rent, the length of time the church has been receiving aid, and the prospect of its independence of outside assistance. No church should be recommended for an appropriation which does not put forth all reasonable exertions to sustain the preaching of the gospel, make an annual contribution to the treasury of the Board of Home Missions, and satisfy the Presbytery that it has complied with its engagements to its minister.

8th. *Distribution of Funds.* While the Assembly expects the Board of Missions to pay great respect to the advice of the Presbyteries touching missionaries within their bounds, yet in the distribution of its funds, the action of the Board must be controlled by the state of its treasury and the relative importance of the various missionary fields under its care.

Moreover, the appropriations should be made with reference to the necessities and prospects of congregations rather than in view of the wants of missionaries; it being regarded that the support of the ministry is one of the means of building up a church.

9th. *The Foreign Population.* The Board of Missions is requested to keep in view the increasing number and religious wants of the foreign population in this country, and to do whatever may be practicable to furnish them with the ministry and means of grace.

10th. *Theological Students.* The Board is recommended to continue its missionary enterprises in the destitute yet growing neighborhoods in the vicinity of the large cities, in which or near which our theological seminaries are located, and to systematize and make more effectual the employment of the students in such connection.

#### *Additional Recommendations.*

Your Committee would urge the adoption of the following additional recommendations:

1st. That the missions in New Mexico be transferred to the Board of Foreign Missions.

2d. In answer to the overtures concerning Synodical Missionaries, that the



matter be favorably considered by the Board, but that the appointment of said missionaries be left to its own discretion, it being understood that each case is to be decided by the Board upon its merits.

3d. That all contributions made by the Church for the organization and support of churches in mission fields, be placed in the statistical column devoted to Home Missions, whether forwarded to the treasury of the Board or not.

4th. That the report of the Committee appointed by the last General Assembly to secure the necessary legislation to complete the consolidation of the "Board of Domestic Missions," and the "Committee of Home Missions," be referred to the present Presbyterian Board of Home Missions with instructions to perfect and secure all needful legislation.

5th. That the Secretaries be requested to respond as promptly as possible to all business communications from the missionaries of the Board, and from the Presbyterial Committees.

6th. That the churches throughout our entire bounds be charged anew with their obligations to support, with greatly increased contributions, the work of this Board, in view of its now depleted treasury, and its threatened financial embarrassment, and the widening necessities of the field; and that \$375,000 be the least sum which we regard it as our duty to raise for the vigorous prosecution of the work during the coming year.

7th. That, as the rate of expenditure is nearly uniform throughout the year, no one month be designated for the taking up of collections for this cause; but that each church designate for itself the month that will bring most to the treasury of the Board, and in no case fail of an annual contribution.

8th. That, hereafter, the first Tuesday of the sessions of each Assembly be devoted exclusively to the consideration of the cause of Home Missions.

## HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN MAY, 1871.

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| Rev. Thomas Mack, Hempstead ch., N. Y.                           | Rev. A. T. Dobson, Chester City 2d ch., Pa.                              |
| Rev. C. D. Rosenthal, Clarkstown Ger. ch., N. Y.                 | Rev. A. W. Hubbard, Dillsburg ch., Pa.                                   |
| Rev. Thos. J. Evans, Greenbush ch., N. Y.                        | Rev. J. W. Boal, Saxton and Yellow Creek chs., Pa.                       |
| Rev. James A. Clark, Spencertown ch., N. Y.                      | Rev. W. J. Gibson, D.D., Martinsburg ch., Pa.                            |
| Rev. P. Griffin, Middlefield Centre ch., N. Y.                   | Rev. S. W. Pomeroy, Mt. Union ch., Pa.                                   |
| Rev. S. Mandeville, Masonville ch., N. Y.                        | Rev. James Coulter, Martinsburg ch., Pa.                                 |
| Rev. C. T. White, Branchport ch., N. Y.                          | Rev. J. P. Graham, Waynesburg ch., Pa.                                   |
| Rev. L. W. Billington, Allegheny ch., N. Y.                      | Rev. J. Alexander, D.D., Moundsville ch., W. Va.                         |
| Rev. C. W. Maccarthy, Portageville ch., N. Y.                    | Rev. H. Magill, Mahoning ch., Pa.  |
| Rev. O. P. Conklin, Charlotte ch., N. Y.                         | Rev. R. C. Stewart, W. Columbia, Up. Flats and Pt. Pleasant chs., W. Va. |
| Rev. J. D. Lane, Parma Centre ch., N. Y.                         | Rev. M. Edgar, Kingwood ch., W. Va.                                      |
| Rev. H. W. Morris, Rochester, Calvary ch., N. Y.                 | Rev. R. A. Blackford, Clarksburg ch., W. Va.                             |
| Rev. J. M. Chrysler, Collamer ch., N. Y.                         | Rev. Geo. Waterman, New Windsor ch., Md.                                 |
| Rev. E. Taylor, East Hamburg ch., N. Y.                          | Rev. S. Murdock, Felton and Harrington chs., Del.                        |
| Rev. Wm. Swan, Stockton ch., N. J.                               | Rev. J. E. Nourse, Manassas and Prince William 1st chs., Va.             |
| Rev. M. L. Hoffer, Fairview ch., N. J.                           | Rev. J. H. Dinsmore, Hopkinsville ch., Ky.                               |
| Rev. C. F. Worrell, D.D., Squan Village ch., N. J.               | Rev. A. C. Dickerson, Presbyterial Missionary, Ky.                       |
| Rev. S. R. Anderson, Tuckerton and Bass River chs., N. J.        | Rev. S. S. Gilson, Bowling Green 2d ch., Ky.                             |
| Rev. D. Conway, Andover ch., N. J.                               | Rev. J. A. Griffis, Presbyterial Missionary, Tenn.                       |
| Rev. J. J. Hamilton, Buffalo ch., Pa.                            | Rev. J. P. Stockton, Mt. Salem and West Unity chs., Ohio.                |
| Rev. J. L. Swain, Ulysses ch., Pa.                               | Rev. E. Thompson, Bryan ch., Ohio.                                       |
| Rev. J. Best, Prompton ch., Pa.                                  | Rev. Robert Edgar, Toledo 3d ch., Ohio.                                  |
| Rev. Richard Walker, Lock Ridge ch., Pa.                         | Rev. S. S. Hyde, Hicksville and Union chs., Ohio.                        |
| Rev. J. A. Rondthaler, S. Bethlehem ch., Pa.                     | Rev. M. Kohler, Toledo Ger. ch., Ohio.                                   |
| Rev. J. A. Little, Hokendauqua ch., Pa.                          | Rev. W. H. Cummins, Osborn ch., Ohio.                                    |
| Rev. J. L. Jenkins, Ashland ch., Pa.                             | Rev. J. C. Gillam, Berlin ch., Ohio.                                     |
| Rev. Nat. Spear, Orangeville, Rohrsburg and Sugar Loaf chs., Pa. | Rev. T. P. Speer, West Salem ch., Ohio.                                  |
| Rev. A. Bronson, D.D., Jefferson ch., Pa.                        | Rev. G. C. Goehring, Mt. Pleasant Ger. ch., Ohio.                        |
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| Rev. H. O. Rosborough, Spring Hill Furnace ch., Pa.              | Rev. F. Maginis, Orwell ch., Ohio.                                       |
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 Rev. H. C. Cheadle, New England ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. J. B. Smith, Kentland and Benton chs., Ind.  
 Rev. W. Pattinson, Rochester ch., Ind.  
 Rev. J. S. Craig, Noblesville and Boxley chs., Ind.  
 Rev. O. M. Todd, Selma ch., Ind.  
 Rev. J. H. Eschmeier, Shelbyville Ger ch., Ind.  
 Rev. S. A. Hammer, Monticello and Bement chs., Ill.  
 Rev. W. B. Keeling, Reading ch., Ill.  
 Rev. J. O. Hough, Farmer City ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Joseph Gordon, Shobonier and Vera chs., Ill.  
 Rev. John Huston, McLeansboro' and Gilgal chs., Ill.  
 Rev. John Leierer, Galena Ger. ch., Ill.  
 Rev. J. Liesveld, Zion and Gale's Mound Ger. chs., Ill.  
 Rev. J. S. Lutz, Centre ch., Ill.  
 Rev. B. S. Sloan, Edwards ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Wm. Keiry, Brunswick and Salem chs., Ill.  
 Rev. J. Cornelius, Deer Creek ch., Ill.  
 Rev. S. M. Cripman, Atlanta ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Wm. Grandy, Brighton ch., Mich.  
 Rev. J. H. Phelps, Flushing ch., Mich.  
 Rev. G. W. Lloyd, Horicon ch., Wis.  
 Rev. Thos. S. Johnson, Beaver Dam Assembly ch., Wis.  
 Rev. C. Hall, Leavenworth, Home and Eden chs., Minn.  
 Rev. G. C. Beaman, Croton and Little Rock chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. W. M. Reed, Bentonsport ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. G. Condit, Prospect ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. S. R. Belville, Montrose ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. G. E. W. Leonard, Solon ch., Iowa.

Rev. Geo. Earhart, Oxford and Unity chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Alex. Porter, West Liberty and Cedar Valley chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. William Young, Deep River and New Castle chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. David Kelley, Sigourney ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. David Clark, Herman ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. D. V. Smock, Liberty and Lafayette ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. D. Brown, Richland and Kirkville ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Robert Boag, Afton and Custon chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. L. Dodd, Salem ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. M. Phillips, Fort Dodge ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. S. M. Kier, College Springs, Tarkio and Pl. Ridge chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. R. R. Wescott, Clarinda ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. B. Long, Tekamah and Bell Creek chs., Neb.  
 Rev. G. G. Ferguson, Hamburg ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. R. M. Overstreet, Presbyterian Missionary, Kas.  
 Rev. John D. Pering, Clay Centre ch., Kas.  
 Rev. V. M. King, Baldwin City, Black Jack and Vinel'd chs., Kas.  
 Rev. E. R. Nugent, Mapleton, Oakwood and Fairview chs., Kas.  
 Rev. S. M. Irwin, Geneva ch., Kas.  
 Rev. H. W. Stratton, Iola ch., Kas.  
 Rev. E. R. Geary, D.D., Albany ch., Oregon.  
 Rev. I. O. Fillmore, D.D., San Francisco, Larkin St ch., Cal.  
 Rev. C. F. Halsey, Cumberland ch., Ill.  
 Rev. E. W. Fisher, Fort Lee ch., N. J.  
 Rev. J. D. Wilson, Jefferson ch., Wis.  
 Rev. H. M. Payne for Minn.

### RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN MAY, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Albany 4th ch, in part 2106; Nassau ch 18 60; West Galway ch 10; Saratoga Springs ch, Newland Mission Chapel Sab-sch 30 82; Sprague ch 4. *Pby of Columbia*—Central ch, Windham Centre 23 50. *Pby of Troy*—Cohoes ch, add'l 8; Johnsonville ch 1; Pittston ch 1; Fort Edwards ch 3 86  
 \$2206 78

SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Atlantic*—James Island ch 3 50

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Westminster ch, Baltimore, a member for April and May 12; Ellicott City ch 18; Govane chapel 25 66, of which Sab-sch 5 82. *Pby of New Castle*—Rock ch 25; Zion ch 25. *Pby of Washington City*—Falls and Lewinsville ch 11 50, of which 5 through A Martien & Co; Darnestown ch 32 50, of which Sab-sch 20, Memorial; Alexander 1st ch 6 50  
 156 16

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Portsmouth*—HigginSPORT ch 11; Ironton ch 143 85; 1st Ger ch Green Brier 4 70  
 159 55

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Chardon ch 3; Cleveland 1st ch, mon coll 16 35; Grafton ch 15. *Pby of Mahoning*—Hanover ch 7. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Bellaire 1st ch 25; Buchanan ch 3; Senecaville ch 19; Bethel ch 3 25; Olive ch 8; Caldwell ch 2; St Clairsville ch, from three persons, Memorial 15; New Castle ch 2  
 118 60

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Marietta Fourth St ch 30. *Pby of Marion*—Delhi ch 20; Ashley ch 6 63. *Pby of Wooster*—Belleville ch 1; Rev George Morris 250. *Pby of Zanesville*—Mt Zion ch 16; Keene ch 16 50; Madison ch 50  
 390 13

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Butler*—Westminster ch 11; Buffalo ch 6 50. *Pby of Erie*—Kerr's Hill ch, a widow's mite 5. *Pby of Kittanning*—Mahoning 1st ch 20; Glade Run ch 50; Appleby Manor ch 5  
 97 50

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Rev T R Townsend 25; Genoa 3d ch 9. *Pby of Geneva*—Ithaca 1st ch 40 30  
 74 30

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Lower Path Valley ch 34; Burnt Cabins ch 10; Petersburg ch 3; Centre ch 24. *Pby of Huntingdon*—

Waynesburg and Newton Hamilton ch Sab-sch 10; Shavers Creek ch, Miss J A Steel 2; Milroy ch, Memorial 25. *Pby of Northumberland*—Williamsport 3d ch 35; Bald Eagle and Nittany ch 5. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Ulysses ch 2; Wells and Columbia ch 2 50  
 152 50

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Covel ch 3 72. *Pby of Peoria*—Limestone ch 7 10; Vermont ch 7; Farmington ch 13; Galesburg ch 61 10; Canton ch 10 70. *Pby of Springfield*—Lincoln ch 10  
 112 62

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Thornton Station ch 10 70; Dunton ch 27 75; St Anne 2d (French) ch 5; Manteno ch 33 22, of which Sab-sch 4 50; Liberty and Half Day chs 20. *Pby of Freeport*—Westminster ch 92 42, of which Rev W S Curtis 25, Memorial; Belvidere 1st ch Sab-sch 30. *Pby of Rock River*—New Boston ch 1; Coal Valley ch 3  
 222 09

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Mt Vernon ch 25; Troy ch 10; Lebanon ch, Memorial 50; Marine ch 22; St John's Ger ch Sab-sch 10; Chester ch 12 50. *Pby of Cairo*—Lanesboro ch 3; Metropolis ch 14 10; Saline Mines ch 11. *Pby of Mattoon*—Paris ch 64 56, of which 40 bequest of Samuel Utter, dec'd  
 215 16

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Logansport*—Lake Prairie ch  
 13 00

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Bainbridge ch 1 50. *Pby of New Albany*—Vernon ch 1; Orleans ch 2. *Pby of White Water*—Ebenezer ch 10; Centerville ch 10; Lewisville ch 5; Greensburg ch 60; Kingston ch 50; Newburg ch 40; Rev Eben Muse 25; Rushville ch 35, of which Sab-sch 16  
 239 50

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—A Home Missionary  
 5 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Newton ch 29 50; Olivet ch 9 15; Pella ch 3 15. *Pby of Iowa*—Richland ch 3; Martinsburg ch 3; *Pby of Iowa City*—Red Oak ch 5. *Pby of Missouri River*—Tecumseh ch 5; Helena ch 3; Sidney ch 10 25; Logan ch 3; Hazel Dell ch 5 60; Harris Grove ch 5 65; Lyons ch 25  
 110 30

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Neosho*—Fort Scott 1st ch 30 10; Reeder ch 3; Scipio ch 7, of which



5 Memorial; Humboldt ch 40. *Pby of Topeka*—Stranger ch 3; Topeka ch 46; Olathe ch 12 05; Spring Hill ch 6 90; Rev N A Rankin 6 05; Fairmount ch 15 169 10

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch (Henry St) in part 1479; Ross St ch 71; Brooklyn 1st ch (Remsen St) mon coll 39 22. *Pby of Long Island*—Shelter Island ch 22 71 1611 93

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Grand Rapids*—Grand Haven ch 25; Greenwood ch 5; East Bay ch 5; Grand Rapids ch 40. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Niles ch 54 25. *Pby of Lansing*—Mason ch, add'l 14 60. *Pby of Saginaw*—Saginaw City 1st ch 147 91; Corunna ch, Memorial 20; Tawas City ch 20 60; E Tawas ch 21 25; St Charles ch 8 59 362 20

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Minneapolis 1st ch, add'l 4; Central ch, St Paul 50; St Croix Falls ch 5. *Pby of Winona*—Richland Prairie ch 4 63 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Monroeton ch 2; High Point ch 5. *Pby of Palmyra*—Hannibal ch 17 15. *Pby of Platte*—Albany ch 5; Union ch 10; Hamilton ch 5 46; Breckenridge ch 3 26; New York Settlement ch 5 35; Lincoln ch 6 50. *Pby of St Louis*—St Louis 2d ch, Memorial 105 164 72

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Lamington ch 5; Dunellen ch 5. *Pby of Jersey City*—Scotch ch, Jersey City 40. *Pby of Monmouth*—Fairview ch 4 20; Allentown ch, a balance 6. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Parsippany ch, add'l 10; Pleasant Grove ch 15. *Pby of Newark*—Newark 3d ch, Memorial 75 50; High St ch, Newark 194 33; Westminster ch, Bloomfield 96. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Princeton 2d ch 94; Trenton 1st ch 797 17 Memorial. *Pby of Newton*—Belvidere 1st ch, Memorial 30; Asbury ch 20. *Pby of West Jersey*—Greenwich ch 49 1,441 20

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Hudson*—Hopewell ch 10; Amity ch 24 50; Middletown 2d ch 101 41. *Pby of New York*—Ch of the Covenant 375, add'l; Brick ch, Memorial 110; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, add'l 200; Fourth Ave ch, a balance 70 76. *Pby of North River*—Milton ch 18; Poughkeepsie 1st ch, Memorial 67 40; South America ch 50. *Pby of Westchester*—North Salem ch 12; Darien ch 25; Riverdale ch 325; White Plains ch 7 41; Bridgeport 1st ch Sab-sch, add'l, Memorial 80 01; West Farms 1st ch 8 25; Sing Sing ch, Memorial 100; Poundridge ch 75 1,659 74

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Jackson Co ch 57 50; Corvallis ch 26 36; Portland 1st ch 102 25. *Pby of Sacramento*—Sonora ch 6 25; Smartsville ch 8 75; Timbuctoo ch 9 75. *Pby of San José*—Rev W C Harding 10 220 86

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Charlestown ch 19 45; Doe Run ch 2; Forks of Brandywine ch, Female Miss'y Soc'y 53 50, of which 26 50 through A Martien & Co. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Wyoming ch 22 50; Providence 1st ch 50; Wilkesbarre ch Sab-sch 300; Susquehanna 1st ch 94 29. *Pby of Lehigh*—Pottsville 2d ch 25; Middle Smithfield ch 10; Bangor ch 2; Pottsville 1st ch 37; Summit Hill ch 22 93; Summit Sab-sch 6 15; Jamestown Sab-sch 3 36, "P" 17 50 = 50. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Greenwich St ch 15; Clinton St ch, from Miss Fithian, Memorial 10; West Spruce St ch, Memorial 30; West Spruce St ch Sab-sch 50 = 80; 1st ch, add'l, Memorial 128 90; Calvary ch, add'l 125; Seventh ch Sab-sch, Memorial 68 44. *Pby of Philadelphia, Central*—Cohocksink ch Sab-schs 81 59; North Broad St ch 260 56; Central ch, Memorial 100. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Norristown 2d ch 4; Neshaminy ch, Warminster 61; Newtown ch, extra 18 61. *Pby of Westminster*—Chanceford ch 40 05 1,668 89

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Johnstown ch, Mrs Eliza J Cunningham 5, Howard J Roberts 5 = 10. *Pby of Washington*—Wheeling 1st ch 45 Memorial; Frankfort ch 20 75 00

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Kingston*—Madisonville ch 20 00

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Maumee*—Perryburg ch 15; Toledo 2d ch, from M L Woodbridge, Memorial 20 55 00

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Virgil ch 2; Binghamton 1st ch, add'l 29. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Carthage ch 13 22 44 22

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Rochester*—Calvary ch, Rochester 23 16

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Chippewa*—Hudson ch 8; Eau Claire ch 31. *Pby of Lake Superior*—Marquette ch 5 45. *Pby of Milwaukee*—Immanuel ch, Milwaukee 159 36. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Portage City 1st ch 7 90. *Pby of Winnebago*—Appleton 1st ch 10 45 222 16

Total received from churches, \$12,058 87

LEGACIES.—First half of legacy of W W Chester, dec'd, late of N Y City 500; Legacy of Mrs Mary A Varnum, dec'd, late of N Y City 5000, in stock, and interest 67 08 = net 4,535 38; Ferry Ministry Fund 75; Bequest of Mrs Parmelia Milliken, dec'd, late of Ashtabula, Ohio 50; Estate of Nancy S White 25 5,185 38

MISCELLANEOUS.—Jos Esty, Esq, Ithaca, N Y 150; A B B, R D G and J C T 14; A thank-offering from M 20; A thank-offering from S 10; Mrs Nancy K Smith, Aurora, Ill, Memorial 5; Mrs J B Welch, West Point, Iowa, Memorial 5; Sundry persons, per A Martien & Co 153 01; Mrs S B Crocker, Vernon, N Y 25; Mrs M A Mitchell, Vernon, N Y 25; Soc'y of Inq of Auburn Theo'l Sem'y, add'l 15; Rev Wm Campbell and wife, California, Memorial 50; Mrs R A Mars Charles-town, Ind 5; Mrs Mary Foster, Greensburg, Pa 10; Miss K M Linnard, Philadelphia, Pa 10; A thank offering, Davenport, Iowa 6 503 01

Total in May, \$17,747 26

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
30 Vesey Street, New York.

#### CLOTHING.

1 box from the ladies of Callensburg ch, Pa, valued at 88 30  
1 box, add'l, from the ladies of Brown Memorial ch, Baltimore, Md, valued at 500 00

\$588 30

Received by the Board of Domestic Missions in March, 1871, and not previously acknowledged in the Record:

Legacy, in part, of Elizabeth W Lloyd, late of Tiffin, Ohio 308 00  
Balance of legacy of W McClintock, late of Pittsburgh, Pa 30 00  
Balance of legacy of Benj I Blythe, late of Indianapolis, Ind, with interest 372 06  
Interest on \$2000 Permanent Fund six months 65 00

Six months interest on the Permanent Missionary Fund from the Trustees of the General Assembly 468 24

\$1243 30

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer.

#### PRESBYTERIAN ROOMS,

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LETTERS relating to Missionary Appointments and other operations of the Committee, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretaries, No. 30 Vesey Street, New York City. Letters relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, should be sent to S. D. POWEL, Esq., Treasurer—same address.



## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIFUL, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix, 37, 38.

The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.—Prov. xi.

### EDUCATION IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The report of its Standing Committee upon the Board of Education was considered in the General Assembly at Chicago on Saturday morning, May 19th. The remarks of the members of the body evinced deep feeling, and there was a most hearty advocacy of an increase in the amounts of the appropriations to the several grades of students. The General Assembly recommended the churches under its care to increase their contributions to the Board one-half during the present year. There was much in the public and private expressions of the members of the Assembly to encourage the Board in the hope that this recommendation will be earnestly attended to, and that our students for the ministry will receive a more liberal assistance from the hand of the Church, and be freed from some of those trials of a pecuniary nature which have so sorely oppressed, and hindered the progress and comfort of some of them. That God may add His blessing and prospering aid to these higher aspirations in behalf of His young servants is a prayer in which we ask the reader to join.

### INSTRUCTION OF THE ASSEMBLY TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATIONS TO STUDENTS.

The General Assembly having resolved to "direct the Board of Education to pay to each theological student under its care two hundred dollars per annum, to each collegiate student one hundred and sixty dollars, to each academical student one hundred and twenty dollars," as the maximum appropriations, upon the recommendations of the Presbyteries, the Board at its annual meeting, June 12th, took the following action upon the subject.

*Resolved:* That the attention of all our churches should be strongly directed to this act of the General Assembly, which is so consonant with the higher missionary aims with which God has inspired the Church, and the enlarged liberality with which she has entered upon their fulfilment.

In the faithful endeavor to carry out these instructions, the Board would call upon the ministry and membership of the Church to ply all scriptural means by which truly pious, intelligent, capable young men may be led to devote their lives to the work of proclaiming Christ to a lost world.

It would press upon every church the request made by the Assembly for an increase of full *one-half* in the contributions to this cause, so that the sum of them shall not be less than \$120,000 for the present year.

It would particularly remind each Presbytery of the duties, according to the instructions of the General Assembly, of selecting a judicious and reliable Standing Committee on Education, which will exercise conscientious care in bringing before it for recommendation to the Board young men of sound character and promise, and of adopting such measures as are necessary to have the various claims of this department of Church-work clearly presented in every pulpit, and the hearts and purses of professing Christians enlisted in its support.

### LEGACIES TO EDUCATION.

The Board of Education specially invites the attention of those friends who design to remember in their wills the claims for temporal sustenance of those

whom Christ has called to qualify themselves for the office of the ministry, to the change which has been made in the *legal* titles of the Board and Permanent Committee. By two acts passed in the Legislatures of Pennsylvania and New York, "*The Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America*," has been incorporated, and made the successor of "The Trustees of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," and of "The Permanent Committee on Education for the Ministry of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America." The designation of any wills which have been made should, where alteration is possible, be changed so as to conform to the above title. To prevent, however, any confusion, or possibility of litigation, the General Assembly has also re-elected, for form's sake, the members of the old Board and of the Permanent Committee whose terms would have expired this year.

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### THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

This Committee at New York has finally closed its accounts. No remittances will henceforth be acknowledged by that treasury. Receipts to the amount of \$3,507.20, during the past year, have been allowed by the Board to remain in it in liquidation of the debt of \$2,586.93, reported by the Committee to the last General Assembly, and other obligations to the extent of \$540.94. The balance, \$379.33, has been remitted to the Board, and the books of that treasury transmitted here. The receipts not heretofore acknowledged in the MONTHLY RECORD will be published next month. The fund of the Phelps' Scholarship, \$2,000, has also been placed in the hands of the Board. The Board is under much obligation to the esteemed brethren of the Permanent Committee, especially to its treasurer, Mr. E. M. Kingsley, and Chas. A. Davison, Esq., for valuable assistance rendered in obtaining the necessary legislation, and transferring the business of the Committee. The formal organization, as has been noticed in a previous article in this number of the RECORD, is to be temporarily continued.

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### ANNUAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF STUDENTS.

Previous to the annual renewal of the recommendations of the students by the Presbyteries in the fall, there will be sent to each Education Committee summaries of the Professors' Reports as to their standing in studies, character, &c., which it is important should be considered previous to the action of Presbytery respecting them.

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### METHOD OF EQUALIZING PAYMENTS TO CANDIDATES.

During the past year it has been necessary to pay most of the students of the old Board *by the month*, in order to make the accounts of all under the care of the Board equal in May, when the year ends. When the new Board was organized in June, all of the students under the Permanent Committee had been paid for May, and were to receive no more until November, when their quarter payments, each alternate month, would begin again. Some of those of the old Board had been paid till April, some of them till July. With these it was necessary, therefore, to continue the *monthly* rate of payment until the close of the year in May. Each has been carefully paid the monthly rates for the number of months which the successive professors' reports have covered. Some of these young men have been surprised that the first payments to them were so large, and latter payments



so small; some who had spent what was received in the summer, have thought it hard that they have not received in the winter remittances so much as some students of the former Permanent Committee. But when the May payments were made, all had received precisely the same amount *for the twelve months* ending at that time.

The summer appropriations of the old Board, which were often irregularly made, without professors' reports, or deferred till fall, are henceforth to be dispensed with. According to the plan of the Permanent Committee, adopted by the new Board, no payment will be made till the fall, on the reception of the professors' reports for November 1st. Previous to that time every candidate must be recommended anew by his Presbytery.

#### A DYING MOTHER'S BEQUEST.

The prayer-hearing God pays special regard to the petitions of mothers for their offspring: and the cries of a dying mother go to the heart of Him who in the anguish of His own death still followed with His eyes the mother who wept beside His cross, and called to "the beloved disciple" to charge him to be to her a son. A letter from a brother in the ministry relates how this same Jesus has answered the prayers of a dying mother for a son, and her dedication of him to the office of the ministry of the gospel. The Saviour drew the heart of the boy in tender love to Him. And now, the letter continues, "this youth has his heart set upon the ministry. He is rather a weakly boy, but of uncommon desire for an education in all that will make him useful; very meek and yet ready to do his duty. An instance will illustrate this. In the community where he lives his father was the only praying man, that is, in public. He had been for near two years superintending an interesting Sabbath-school. The father was sick. Several old men at the school-house were consulting what could be done. No one was willing to open the school with prayer. They were about going home without having school. This boy sat and listened, and when they were about starting he proposed to open the school. He did so—reading, singing, and praying. This so affected the people that a prayer meeting was organized, and is at present often conducted by him. Almost every professing man in the neighborhood now leads in prayer. He seems to be very meek. His father tells me that in summer and fall he always spends the evening twilight in a grove, engaged in earnest prayer, sometimes for an hour at a time.

"The question now is—Is the Board able and willing to do anything for him? His heart is upon the ministry. I have no doubt at all but that he will be faithful, and will get into the ministry whether we help him or not. He was consecrated to that office by a dying mother's prayers. He has commenced Latin, and is very successful in his studies. Please tell me what course you think ought to be pursued in such a case?"

In such a narrative there is much to awaken reflection in the heart of a pious mother. Am I praying for my children as I ought? Have I given them to the service of that Divine Friend, to be His wholly, and to use them as He will; desiring above all things that He would call them to "follow" Him, in His efforts "to seek and to save them which are lost?"

And you who have the pecuniary means to determine the question with which the letter closes—shall we not hear some answer from you, that will help us to decide in many cases which just as much deserve the effectual assistance and cheer which it is the place of the Board to render to those whom our Redeemer and theirs so manifestly calls?

May God pour out a similar spirit of prayer upon many of our young men.

#### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN MAY, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Sprague ch 3;  
Cooperstown ch 100. *Pby of Columbia*—Central ch 4. *Pby of Troy*—Johnsville ch 1; Pittstown ch 1 109 00  
SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Catawba*—Concord and Poplar Tent chs 4 00  
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Ellicott City ch 20. *Pby of New Castle*—Rock ch 20;

Zion ch 20; Octorora ch 20; Dover ch 34 114 00  
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pty of Chillicothe*—North Fork ch, Anderson 15 50. *Pty of Cincinnati*—Buck Creek ch 16; Lane Seminary ch 149 90; Bethel ch 5; 2d German ch 5; Cummins ville ch 8. *Pty of Dayton*—Second ch, Springfield 75 274 40  
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pty of Cleveland*—Memorial



ch, Cleveland 5; Charden ch 3. <i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Youngstown ch 67 15. <i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Martin's Ferry ch 8; Washington ch 30 26; Powhatan ch 5 54; Bellsville ch 7; Pipe Creek ch 2 20; New Castle ch 1. <i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch 10; Beech Springs ch 20; Pleasant Hill ch 8; Kilgore ch 6 50; New Salem ch 1; Shanesville ch 2 50; Harrison ch 2 50; Harlem Springs ch 7 50 187 15	<i>of North River</i> —Middle Hope ch 5 29; Freedom Plains ch 20. <i>Pby of Westchester</i> —White Plains ch 8 03; Peekskill ch 57 12 676 88
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SYNOD OF GENESSEE.— <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —West Aurora ch 5. <i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Nunda ch 15 20 00	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Johnstown ch 29; Plum Creek ch 12 14; Cross Roads ch 5. <i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Fairview ch 5 90; Sharon ch 4 75; East Liberty ch 157 02. <i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Dunlap Creek ch 12; Laurel Hill ch 25 50; Brownsville ch 20. <i>Pby of Washington</i> —East Buffalo ch 8; 3d ch, Wheeling 1; Cross Creek ch 30; Pigeon Creek ch 33. <i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Fairmount ch 17 360 31
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —First ch, Auburn 66 23; Cayuga ch 10. <i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Meeklenburg ch 12 88 23	SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.— <i>Pby of Holston</i> —Elizabethtown ch 1 90; Mt Bethel ch 10 11 90
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Middle Springs ch 50; Centre ch 12; 1st ch, Carlisle 88. <i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Huntingdon ch 85; Waynesburg ch 43; Newton Hamilton ch 9. <i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Third ch, Williamsport 13 300 00	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —First ch West Liberty 3 38; Spring Hills ch 11 14. <i>Pby of Huron</i> —Monroeville ch 8. <i>Pby of Lima</i> —Central ch, Lima 6. <i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Perryville ch 15 43 52
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SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —First ch, Independence 5 00	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Darnestown ch 15 00
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	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.
	Omitted last month.
	<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Second ch Pittsburgh 116 81
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## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS.—The Rev. J. C. de Bruyn Kops and his wife sailed for the Gaboon and Corisco Mission, May 17th. Rev. S. H. Kellogg and his family, and the son of Mrs. Janvier, arrived June 6th, and the Rev. W. Calderwood and his family, June 10th, both from India. Rev. W. Walker and his wife, and the young son of the Rev. R. H. Nassau, M.D., arrived June 13th, from Western Africa. Mrs. Reutlinger accompanied them to England, on her way to Switzerland, her native country. We are glad to report the health of these families as benefitted by their voyages.

We have advices of the arrival of Mr. Bushnell and his company at Madeira, May 19th, on their way to Gaboon. We learn also that Mr. Nassau and Miss Nassau had taken charge of the station at Gaboon until the arrival of this reinforcement, in order to allow Mr. and Mrs. Walker to return the sooner to this country for greatly needed rest. The station at Benita was placed in the charge of natives, who, it was thought, could be trusted. Mr. Nassau expected to return to Benita after a few weeks.

NEW COMMUNICANTS.—The Rev. W. F. Johnson writes at Futtehghurh, India, April 18th, "We had five additions to our church by examination at the last communion. One of these was by baptism, an exceedingly interesting, intelligent, young Mohammedan, who was a pupil in our boys' school." Dr. Happer writes at Canton, China, April 10th, "One young man was received at our quarterly communion, March 26th, on profession of his faith, and one applicant was deferred until the next communion. This makes eight received since my return; but alas! how few these are compared with the unnumbered multitudes perishing all around us!" The Rev. R. H. Nassau, M.D., writes, "Our communion at Benita was held on Sabbath, March 26th. One young man was baptized." The Rev. A. L. Blackford writes at Rio de Janeiro, May 9th, "On the 7th inst. we celebrated the Lord's Supper, when three persons were received on profession of their faith, and six children were baptized. The occasion was one of more than usually solemn interest in many respects. Many are inquiring, with more or less manifestations of interest, the way of life." It is with much regret that we do not find any other reports of conversions in the letters received during the last month; but our readers will all feel grateful to see the foregoing notices.

SIGNS OF PROGRESS.—Among various things referred to in the correspondence of the month, we may note earnest applications for more missionaries from Brazil, from Kolapoor, and from Persia; a request for funds to support a native colporteur at Bahia, Brazil; requests for dwelling houses, one at Bangkok, one at Chefoo, and one at Kolapoor, in addition to applications previously received from other places; notices of outstations likely to be soon formed near Canton, China, and of requests for schools in villages accessible from Sidon, Syria; accounts of the work still extending in Persia; a favorable account of matters in Chieng-mai, among the Laos; the Rev. H. Corbett's remark concerning religious interest at Chefoo, which we quote, "There have been very many with us from time to time during the winter learning the truth. There is undoubtedly such a spirit of inquiry as there has never been before in this part of China."

THE PROSPECT OF CONTINUED PEACE IN CHINA remains unchanged. The anti-foreigner feeling, referred to in our last issue, took the definite shape, as we now



learn, of a request by the Chinese government at Peking to the ministers of the foreign powers, for such a modification of the treaties as would forbid the instruction of Chinese women and girls, and place the missionaries under the control of the Chinese laws. The ministers were all united and firm in resisting this application, and the subject is at rest, for the present. Dr. Nevius writes from Tungehow, in the province of Shantung, March 25th, "I am glad to say that the country is perfectly quiet here at present, and that we are meeting with very little opposition in our work." Mr. Melvaine, of Peking, was at Tientsin, March 13th, on his way to Tsinan-fu, the capital of Shantung; his journey would probably serve to show how far the door is open for missionary work in the interior.

RECEIPTS IN MAY.—From churches, \$12,675; from legacies, \$307; from individual donors, \$2,794; in all, \$15,776. Receipts in May of last year, \$8,167—of which, from churches, \$7,054.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO JUNE 15TH.—From Lower Cattaraugus, June 7th; Grand Traverse, May 25th; Omaha, May 15th; Seminole, May 10th; Navajo, May 3d; Yokohama, April 15th; Yedo, April 15th; Peking, March 30th; Tungehow, March 29th; Chefoo, March 28th; Hangehow, April 6th; Ningpo, April 10th; Shanghai, April 11th; Canton, April 10th; Bangkok, March 25th; Chieng-mai, January 7th; Futtchegurh, April 18th; Etawah, April 12th; Ambala, April 5th; Lodiana, April 3d; Kolapoor, May 4th; Oroomiah, April 12th; Sidon, May 10th; Monrovia, April 8th; Gaboon, April 21st; Rio de Janeiro, May 9th; Rio Claro, April 11th; Bahia, April 28th; Bogota, April 14th.

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#### OUR FOREIGN MISSIONS IN 1871-72.

We insert in subsequent pages a summary view of the Foreign Missions of our Church, as they stood on the 1st of May, 1871. This view is taken from the Annual Report, and though it is largely made up of figures, it will be found to be worthy of careful study. It will surely leave on the mind of every thoughtful reader a strong impression of the greatness of the work to which God is calling us as a Church, and also of the encouragement attending it. What orderings of Providence, what gracious influences, what personal consecration, what pecuniary liberality, what self-denials, sacrifices, and prayers, yea, what manifest proofs of the Saviour's presence with his people, while they were trying to obey his last commandment, do these figures set before us! Well may we thank God, and take courage in view of such returns as these!

But it is beginnings, not endings, of the manifold interests of this vast work which we see in these statistics. Thus the missions stood on May 1, 1871; where shall they stand a year hence? We trust further on. We may look for grace to render a holier service unto the Lord through these Missions—a service animated by deeper love to Christ and greater compassion for lost souls than most of us have yet felt. We must look for more laborers to go out to the harvest; they are greatly needed. We must look for larger gifts in aid of this cause. The Board has called for a very considerable increase of income, and the General Assembly has endorsed and repeated this call; half a million of dollars can well be expended in these missionary fields before the 1st of next May. This may seem to be a large sum in the eyes of many, but it is not large compared with the greatness of the interests involved. It is even small compared with the immense sums expended in a single city in the pursuit of pleasure or in the indulgence of injurious appetites. It is certainly a small sum for such an object from a people so highly favored as are the members of our Church; it may seem incredible, but one third of a penny each day from each of our communicants would put more than half a million of dollars in the mission treasury this year. We must look also for more prayer in behalf of this cause—in our daily devotions, as well as in our public religious services. And so by faith we go on. Before us goes our Saviour. We are joyful in his presence. We can not doubt that our poor services will be graciously accepted, and crowned with his blessing.

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#### A TWO WEEKS' MISSION TOUR.

The Rev. L. W. Eckard, of Chefoo, China, writes as follows—under date of April 1, 1871.



... I should like to tell you of a pleasant two weeks' tour in the country during December, the first itinerating trip that up to that time I had attempted. I was accompanied by one of Bro. Corbett's assistants, Mr. Tzung, and my teacher Wang, both of them most excellent men. They displayed a spirit and ability to impart the truth which was most gratifying, liberally sowing their seed in the morning and not withholding their hands in the evening. We started on the sixth of December. During the time we were absent we went about two hundred and fifty miles, visiting the walled cities of Hai Yang and Lai Yang, besides numerous smaller places. Fortunately we were able to attend some half dozen "markets" (or agricultural fairs) where in each instance thousands had collected together, affording a fine field for the distribution of the S. S. and tracts, as well as for direct preaching. It was at one of these places, Wan De, that we experienced the only exception to the kindness with which we were elsewhere greeted. Such interesting announcements as "The Devil has arrived," and "Here is a Frenchman," greeted us as we entered the place. It was in vain that I denied all connection with his Satanic majesty, or the Latin race, and proclaimed my Anglo-Saxon origin. We attempted once to stop and talk but it was useless. Mr. Wang (who was kneeling down to untie a package of tracts) was violently pushed over, and I was struck in rapid succession with three stones. The language of the crowd became menacing, and so a retreat was at once determined upon and happily effected. I do not desire however to give this as a representative case, or imply that the people generally are disposed to act otherwise than in a friendly manner. The reverse is true. On the whole we were much encouraged.

At *Kingtze Poo*, thirty miles from here, we found a decided spirit of inquiry, the result of Mr. Corbett's faithful efforts in that direction. It would not be warranted by existing circumstances, but I trust the day is not far distant when we will be able to establish a regular station there, which shall be self-supporting. At Hai Yang also our success was encouraging. We arrived there on Saturday noon, and remained over the Sabbath. Not only were we able to dispose of a considerable number of books, and address large and attentive crowds; but numbers followed us to our inn to be further instructed.

Among these were several Yamen underlings, a Buddhist priest and a score of children. The latter were taught by Mr. Tzung how to pray, and as many as consented to recite after him an outline statement of the character and work of our Saviour received a little book. The majority under these circumstances sought and obtained the prize. We have been led recently to hope that the trip was not without immediate visible fruit. Two muleteers who were with us (carrying books, clothing &c.,) and who necessarily heard the truth from day to day, have since our return presented themselves as enquirers, and one of them has brought four others with him. These all are enjoying regular instruction from Mr. Corbett, and he expresses himself as much gratified with their sincere desire to attain to a knowledge of the truth. They seem to be in earnest.

*In general*, the work here is encouraging, the street chapel daily *crowded*, and the Sabbath services well attended. A large Sabbath-school was recently started—conducted by the whole available mission force. Mrs. Eckard and myself each have a class.

You will be sorry to learn, if you have not already heard, that through the winter Mrs. Corbett has been dangerously ill. She is very much better now. We hope however that she may be induced to take a trip during the summer for the purpose of more completely re-establishing her strength. She seems loath to leave, even for a brief season, her chosen duties here, but all of us are convinced that she ought to have a change.

You of course know about the Wherrys. We were glad to welcome them here as an addition to our number. Mr. W. looks much better than when he came, and I think is so. They spent the winter with us; but are now keeping house by themselves. I hope, and *think*, that the change from the debilitating southern climate to the bracing air of Shantung, will spare them long to the mission, and prevent the necessity of their return home.

Let me in conclusion ask that we all may continue to have an interest in your prayers. Nothing encourages us more than to think that we are constantly remembered thus by our friends at home. Ask that in our weakness *His* strength may be perfected, and that our efforts may be used by Him for the promotion of *His* glory.

## A SUMMARY VIEW OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MAY 1, 1871.

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## A PROTESTANT MOVEMENT AT KISBA, SYRIA.

The Rev. Samuel Jessup, whose station is at Tripoli, Syria, sends us the following accounts under date of March 9th. We need not commend them to the attention of our readers. The prayers of our churches may help to eliminate from this movement whatever secular elements it may contain, and to carry it forward to full evangelical success.

An elevated undulating plain, covered with luxuriant olive groves and dotted with villages, lies southeast of Tripoli between it (the city) and the mountains. It is divided by the river Abu Ali, or Kadisha, which gushes out of a cleft in the rocks under the famous cedars of Lebanon, and after passing through one of the wildest gorges in the country reaches the plain near the village of Kisba, and running nearly north through a deep ravine, it flows on to Tripoli and thence to the sea. The district lying northeast of the river is called the *Za-we-yeh*, and that lying southwest of it is called the *Kura*. The former is inhabited principally by Maronites (papists), and the latter mostly by Greeks.

The *Kura* is a district containing about sixty villages, governed by a Kaimakam, who is under Franco Pasha, the Christian Governor General of Mt. Lebanon. Kisba is one of the larger villages of the *Kura*, and one of the best built. The people are generally in good circumstances, and the most of them own a little property. Indeed the Greek bishop has regarded it as one of the best paying villages in his bishopric. But a year or more ago, a portion of the people were imposed upon by their bishop, and they became estranged from him. Last summer when they tried to effect a settlement with him, he so insulted them that the estrangement became complete, and they have since been looking around to see where they might cast in their lot. One or two of them have long been acquainted with one of our best Protestants, and have become somewhat enlightened through him. Others of them have been at work for Mr. Yanni, our Tripoli vice-consul at his village, an hour from Kisba. They came to Mr. Yanni last summer, proposing that he would make them "*Americans*." During

the last six months of last year they have been learning what Protestantism is, and have been more and more disposed towards it, until at length, two months ago, a dozen of the leading men of the village brought us a petition, declaring themselves Protestants, and asked of us a teacher to instruct them in religious matters. I immediately visited them and found them much in earnest, but very much in need of instruction. They drank in the truth with most intense eagerness, and some of them are working day and night so as to know how to read better and draw fresh instruction for themselves from the Bible. We have sent them a man from Sheikh Mohammed, in whose piety we have great confidence, Ishoc el Kefrooney, whom I have mentioned in other letters, and who, though he is not a well-educated man, has remarkable good sense, and a good understanding of religious truth.

After waiting a month for the new leaven to work, the people drew up a formal petition to the Government, to be legally set off as a Protestant sect. They supposed they would obtain at most twenty signatures, but as the matter became understood, they finally got the names of fifty-eight *males* on the paper. After some delay this was sent to the governor of the district; whereupon persecutions were stirred up, and one man was imprisoned on a false charge, but as a personal favor to our vice-consul the man was released. All who had signed this petition were privately threatened with all sorts of persecutions, trials, and losses; and finally it was arranged by the Greeks, that the Mudir (*i.e.* sub-governor) should go to the village, ostensibly to see if the people were in earnest, but really to use every means to get them to turn back. He went to the town only to go away again grievously disappointed, for the Protestants all gathered together so as not to be intimidated, as they might have been if called upon one by one. They declared with one voice, that they were Protestants and only Protestants, and to their great surprise twelve others joined them, and requested the Mudir to allow them also to put their names on the list with the others, thus swelling the number of *males* to *seventy*. We are now waiting for the slow process of government red tape, and a determined opposition on the part of all officials to get the community legally established.

(*To be continued.*)

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN MAY 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Sand Lake ch 10; Princeton ch, for debt 32 50; 2d ch Albany 560 92; Sprague ch, Albany 4. *Pby of Champlain*—Chazy ch 3. *Pby of Columbia*—St Peter's ch, Spencertown 6 76; Central ch, Windham Centre 33. *Pby of Troy*—Second ch Troy, E A Peck 100, for buildings 150 = 250; Pittstown ch 1; Brunswick ch 20 921 18

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Ellcott City ch Sab-sch 33. *Pby of New Castle*—St George's ch, Female Benev Soc'y 16 75; Rock ch 20; Zion ch 25; Snow Hill ch 25. *Pby of Washington City*—Darnestown ch 10, Memorial 12 50, Sab-sch 20 = 42 50 162 25

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Central ch, Cincinnati 286. *Pby of Dayton*—First Honey Creek ch 15 301 00

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Grand ch 2. *Pby of Mahoning*—Coitsville ch 8; Mineral Ridge ch 10. *Pby of St Clairsville*—First ch Sab-sch Washington. Memorial 55. *Pby of Steubenville*—Ridge ch 10, Sab-sch 21 = 31; Bethel ch 50 62; Salineville ch 3 69; Bethesda ch 10 170 31

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Fourth st ch, Marietta 14. *Pby of Columbus*—Westerville ch Sab-sch, for sup of Lucius Keeler 50. *Pby of Marion*—Milford ch 10; Iberia ch, Mrs Sarah M Evans. Memorial for Persia 5; Mt Gilead ch, J S Trimble. Memorial for Persia 200; 1st ch Sab-sch Marion 15; Brown ch Sab-sch 2. *Pby of Wooster*—Newton ch, Miss Sarah A Gilman 5, Miss Jane A Gilman 10 = 15; Wooster ch, Wm A Sterling. Memorial for Bogota 25. *Pby of Zanesville*—Mt Pleasant ch 15; Fredericktown ch 1; Kirksville ch 9 50; Madison ch 51 412 50

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—New Salem ch 23 55; Concord ch 6; Millvale ch 6 66; Pine Creek ch 18 54. *Pby of Erie*—Kerr's Hill ch. a widow's mite 5; North East Sab-sch, to ed girl at Oromiah 22; Cochranton ch 6; Milledgeville ch 4; 1st ch Waterford 6 56. *Pby of Kittanning*—Cherry Run ch 6 15; Jacksonville ch 10; Crooked Creek ch 8 121 46

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Canuga*—Dryden ch 20; Port Byron Sab-sch, for sch at Shanghai 35; 3d ch Geneva 17; 1st ch Auburn 262 17. *Pby of Geneva*—First ch Ithaca 24 30. *Pby of Stauben*—Prattsburg ch 15 40 373 87

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Petersburg ch 3; Centre ch 33. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Logan's Valley ch 20; Clearfield ch Sab-sch 12 21; Birmingham ch 15 34; Milroy ch 25; Hollidaysburg ch 48; Newton Hamilton ch 12 25; Shaver's Creek ch, Miss Jane A Steele 2; Huntingdon Sab-sch, for Jacob Miller sch, Rawal Pindi 25. *Pby of Northumberland*—Third ch Williamsport 25; Great Island Sab-sch 4 05; Chillisquaque ch, to con Mrs Mary Shadden *Life Member* 30; Newberry Sab-sch, to sup Miss Thompson 25. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Condersport ch 9 25; Mansfield ch 5; Covington ch 5 299 10

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—First ch Chicago 1 261 11, to con Mrs D K Pearson *Life Member* 50 = 1 311 11; Waukegan ch Sab-sch, "The Workers" for Persia 30. *Pby of Freeport*—First ch Belvidere 79. *Pby of Rock River*—New Boston ch 1; Fulton ch 1 1 428 29

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Cairo*—Flora ch 10; Metropolis ch 10 95 20 95

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Muncie*—Liberty ch 9 60

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Shiloh ch 4; Bainbridge ch 1 50. *Pby of Vincennes*—Walnut st ch, Evansville 184 65. *Pby of White Water*—Lawrenceburg ch 25 215 15

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Scotch Grove ch, Mrs K S Chatterton. Memorial for Kolapoer 5; 1st ch Cedar Rapids 12 35. *Pby of Dubuque*—Second ch Dubuque 31 10; Waukon ch 20 68 45

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Iowa*—First ch Kossuth Juv Miss'y Soc'y 9 35

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Colorado*—Black Hawk ch. Memorial 10 00

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Marion ch, Jos and Willie Hill. Memorial 5 00

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Generan ch 30 30; 1st ch Remsen st 39 23; Throop Ave ch 21 45; 1st ch Edgewater, S I 6 30; South Third st ch. Williamsburg 31 33; Armstrong Juv Miss'y Asso'n, for girls' sch Oromiah 30, for sch at Gaboon 20 = 50; Ger ch, Williamsburg 5. *Pby of Long Island*—Smithtown ch 13 21, Mr Blydenburg 10 = 23 21; Shelter Island ch 20. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch 32 35; Sweet Hollow ch 25 70 284 87

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Howell ch 35 80. *Pby of Grand Rapids*—Greenwood ch 2. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Niles ch 70 25. *Pby of Lansing*—Brooklyn ch 10; Mason ch 13 60; Albion ch 17. *Pby of Saginaw*—Lapeer ch 28; Irving ch 10 186 65

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Westminster ch, Minneapolis. mo con 5 82, Sab-sch, Memorial 5, for Syria 1, for Corisco 5, = 16 82; St Anthony's ch 15; Central ch. St Paul 50; 1st ch Minneapolis 11. *Pby of Winona*—Richland Prairie ch 3 95 82

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Ozark*—Bethel ch, Memorial for Syria 2. *Pby of Palmyra*—Hannibal ch 25. *Pby of Potosi*—Mine La Motte ch 15 25. *Pby of St Louis*—Second ch St Louis. Memorial of Geo D Hall 150; Herman ch 10 202 25

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Cranford ch 16; Westfield ch 60; Dunellen ch 5. *Pby of Jersey City*—Scotch ch, Jersey City 23. *Pby of Monmouth*—First ch South Amboy 20; Fairview ch 2; Allentown Sab-sch, to ed girl at Dehra 55; Columbus ch Sab-sch 9. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Chester ch, Mrs Sarah Williams 100; South st ch, Morristown 50. *Pby of Newark*—Wickliffe ch 8; 3d ch Newark 27 74, Sab-sch 66 = 93 74. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Kirkpatrick Memorial ch Sab-sch 9; Bound Brook Sab-sch, to ed child at Rawal Pindi 30; 1st ch Trenton. Memorial 107. *Pby of Newton*—Stanhope ch 4; Newton Sab-sch, to ed boy in China 75; Sparta ch 43; 1st ch Belvidere, John W Wickoff to con self *Life Member*. Memorial 30; 2d ch Sab-sch Oxford, for Safeta girls' sch 75; Pleasant Grove ch 30; Asbury ch 30. *Pby of West Jersey*—Millville ch 20 86 895 60

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—Second ch Sab-sch Newburyport, for China and Persia 53 50. *Pby of Hudson*—First ch Florida 36; 2d ch Middleton 127 19. *Pby of New York*—Fifth Ave and Nineteenth st ch, "A Friend." Memorial 2,000; 1st ch 210, Sab-sch 35 79. Miss sch for sup of girls' boarding sch, Shanghai 43 50 = 289 29; Brick ch chapel 9 75; Ch of the Covenant, add'l 605; University Place ch, East Branch, mo con 5 25; Madison Square ch 100; 4th Ave ch 5; 7th ch. mo con 37. *Pby of North River*—Calvary ch, Newburg 26 44; 1st ch Poughkeepsie. Memorial 130. Sab-sch. Memorial, to con Mrs Edmund P Platt *Life Member* 50 = 230. *Pby of Westchester*—White Plains ch 9 41; 1st ch Peekskill 52 39; 1st ch West Farms 8 25; Pound Ridge ch 62, Sab-sch 13 = 75; Throgg's Neck ch 5 3,674 47

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Portland ch 29; Jackson Co ch 29 50. *Pby of San Jose*—Gilroy ch 18 76 50

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Waynesburg ch 181 25. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Wyoming ch 22 50; Mt Pleasant Sab-sch 5; Orwell ch 6 85; Carbondale ch 52; 1st ch Scranton, Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y 50, Juvenile Miss'y Ass'n, for sup of Miss S B Loring 125 = 175. *Pby of Lehigh*—Middle Smithfield ch 10; Bangor ch 3; 2d ch Pottsville 25. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Central ch, J D L 100; Kensington Sab-sch, to con Miss Sarah McGrotty *Life Member* of



Woman's F Miss'y Soc'y, Phila 26. *Phy of Philadelphia, North*—Abington ch 12 50. *Phy of Philadelphia*—Bethany ch, Infant sch for boy at Benita 30; 7th ch Sab-sch, Memorial 50; 15th ch Sab-sch 20; Union ch 50 769 10

*SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—Phy of Blairsville*—Johnstown ch 2, Miss Sarah Taylor, Memorial 5 = 7; New Salem ch, Legacy of Israel Alexander 25; Plum Creek ch 50; Livermore ch Sab-sch 9 50; Cross Roads ch 64. *Phy of Pittsburgh*—Chartiers ch, Memorial, of which 5 is for Siam 33; 3d ch Pittsburg 773 37, for Persia 100 = 873 37; Fairview ch 5 50; East Liberty ch 10 20; Mt Pisgah ch, Memorial 8; Bethel ch, three children of Jno Sauters, for Tungechow ch 5. *Phy of Redstone*—Brownsville ch 35; Sewickly ch 15 50. *Phy of Washington*—Third ch Wheeling 5; Cross Creek ch, Memorial 15; 1st ch Wheeling, Memorial 20, "Woman's Miss'y Soc'y," Mrs Geo R Taylor 20, Miss Ellen Taylor 5, Miss Mattie Taylor 5, Miss Jane W McClelland 25, Mrs Saul Laughlin 25, Mrs D W Fisher 10, for sup of Miss Sarah Morrison, India = 110. *Phy of West Virginia*—Gerrardstown Sab-sch 15; Portland ch 5 1,291 07

*SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—Phy of Holston*—Salem ch 12 00

*SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—Phy of Bellefontaine*—Bucyrus ch, J N S and family 10; Upper Sandusky ch Sab-sch, No 8 1. *Phy of Huron*—First ch Norwalk, for Rev Jos Whiting, China 74 10. *Phy of Maumee*—Mt Salem ch 6, Sab-sch 6 = 12 97 10

*SYNOD OF UTICA.—Phy of Binghamton*—Owego ch 8 80; 1st ch Spencer 30. *Phy of St Lawrence*—Morristown Sab-sch 4. *Phy of Syracuse*—First Ward ch, Syracuse 45 75; 4th ch Sab-sch Syracuse 100; Elbridge ch 47; Onondaga Valley ch 17; 1st ch Oswego 38 67. *Phy of Utica*—First ch Utica, in part 188 88; Waterville ch, two ladies 490 10

*SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—Phy of Rochester*—Central ch, Mrs. Mary A Gaylord, for Sem'ry at Beirut 5, L G Gaylord 5 = 10; Lima ch 5 15 00

*SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—Phy of Wisconsin River*—Prairie du Sac ch 56 10

Total receipts from churches, \$12,675 09

LEGACIES.—Estate of Mrs Nancy S White 25; Legacy of Alson Sherwood, dec'd, Fishkill, N Y, less tax 282 307 00

*SYNOD OF REF PRESB CHURCH.—First Ref Presby ch Pittsburg* 150; to sup sch 25 175 00

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Woman's Foreign Miss'y Soc'y, Phila 1,100 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—J C Tunis, Plainfield, N J 10; Willie W Smith, dec'd 2; B S Lyman, Memorial, for ch at Tungechow 20; Jos Esty, Ithaca, N Y, to con Miss Annie Esty, Albert N Esty, and Jos Brewer *Life Members* 100; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; Mrs J Reynolds, Peoria, Memorial for debt 20; A S Thank-offering 20; H 1; Little Minta Bennett, dec'd, miss'y box 1 25; Rev Ira S Dodd, Memorial for Gaboon, native minister 10; Mrs Catharine Kinsey 5; Miss A S Payson, N Y, Memorial for Gaboon Mission 5; Outsiders and Insiders of Columbus Grove, Memorial for Tungechow buildings 10; Rev Jos Platt, Frankfort, Ind, Memorial 1,009; Rev N L Upham, Reaville, N J, Memorial 20; Mrs Nannie McMillan 5; Walter L McMillan 5; Mrs Martha L Merritt 5; Mrs E Campbell 5; Nellie, Netta and Anna Gourley, three girls 5; Memorial for Tungechow ch, Auburn Theol Sem'ry Soc'y of Inq 15; A widow and her children, Memorial 5; Ladies in Cleveland, Ohio, for Brazil 85; Rev W Campbell and wife, Cal, Memorial 50; B K F, Memorial 2; Greenwich (Mass) Sab-sch, for Beirut sch 26; Gold dollar, Miss Brokaw 1; Mrs Eleanor McMillen, College Hill, Ohio 50; Mrs Brown, Chicago 5; J A Logan, Mineral Point, Pa, for Tungechow ch 10; Miss E Wolff, Freedom, Pa 1; Troy, N Y, a friend, for debt 14 74 1,518 99

Total Receipts in May, 1871,

\$15,776 08

SPECIAL MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—*For Gaboon Boat*—Ashland Sab-sch, Ebenezer Presby 21; Greenbush Sab-sch 20; Aurora Sab-sch 20; Concord ch, Ohio, "Wee Ones" 5; Outsiders and Insiders of Columbus Grove, Ohio 5; Beech Glen Sab-sch 14; 1st ch Sab-sch Mahanoy City 36 19; Southfield Sab-sch 5; Wing Lake Sab-sch 5; Brown ch Sab-sch, Ohio 2; Sunday-school scholar 25 cts; Cong'l ch Sab-sch Hartford 5; Westminster ch Sab-sch, Minneapolis 14; Fulton ch, N Y 100; 1st ch Sab-sch, Hartford, Conn 2; Walnut st ch Evansville 25; Throop Ave Sab-sch, Brooklyn 15; 1st ch Sab-sch Auburn 14 23; 2d ch Sab-sch Troy, Infant class 10; 2d ch Sab-sch Mary W Thatcher 5 323 72

Second ch Sab-sch for chapel in Persia 410 00  
Memorial Fund Committee for Chinese house in San Francisco 500; for training sch at Chefoo 3,345 05 3,845 05

C Shedd for Chapel at Oroomiah 10 00

Second ch Lexington for training sch 100 00

Union ch, Phila, for Monrovia Col 5 00

D P Evans, Ripley, Ohio, bal of 500 for Gaboon Training sch 250 00

First ch Poughkeepsie, for Female Seminary at Beirut 15 00

Collections by Rev CR Mills for Tungechow ch 230 00

Friends in Great Britain for Tungechow ch 64 44

Total, \$5,253 21

A widow's offering for Gaboon Yacht, one pair of gold spectacles.

WM. RANKIN, Treasurer,  
23 Centre Street, New York.

LETTERS relating to the Missions, or other operations of the Board, may be addressed to the Rev. JOHN C. LOWRIE, Rev. DAVID IRVING, or Rev. FRANK F. ELLINWOOD, Secretaries, Mission House, 23 Centre street, New York.

LETTERS relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, may be sent to WILLIAM RANKIN, Esq., Treasurer—same address.

OVERLAND MAIL.—Letters for the Overland Mail are forwarded from the Mission House by the Steamers nearest the first and fifteenth of each month. *Postage*: from New York to LIBERIA and CORISCO, 16 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight; to SIAM 28 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight; to INDIA via Southampton 22 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight; to CHINA and JAPAN, via San Francisco 10 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight; to U. S. of Colombia, 18 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight. The steamer for BRAZIL leaves on the 23d of each month; postage 15 cents for each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight. Syria 15 cents each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight; Persia 15 cents each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight. Postage on newspapers 6 cents each. The postage on letters and newspapers must be prepaid. The letters forwarded from the Mission House to each Mission are put in an outside envelope, and therefore stamps should not be affixed to them. The postage is assessed according to the weight of each letter, and may be paid by sending post-office stamps to the Mission House.

Letters to BRAZIL and NEW GRENADA may be sent direct from any post office, and need not be forwarded to the Mission House. The steamer for Brazil leaves New York on the 22d of each month; postage, 10 cents on each  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz weight. Steamers for Aspinwall leave on the 5th and 21st of each month; postage to Bogota, 18 cents.

THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY.—Two editions of this publication are printed. The Pamphlet edition is published monthly, at \$1.00 a year for each copy. It is sent free, when desired, to donors of ten dollars and upwards, and to the ministers of our churches.

Of the Newspaper edition, a copy is sent free of charge, except for postage, to the children of each family in every Sabbath-school making regular contributions to the Treasury of the Board.



## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*.

Manuscripts, and communications concerning matter offered for publication, to the Rev. JOHN W. DULLES, *Editorial Secretary*.

Correspondence of Colporteurs, remittances of money, and donations, to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage and Treasurer.

Orders for Books (except from Colporteurs) and Business Correspondence, to Mr. JOHN A. BLACK. Subscriptions to *The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to Mr. PETER WALKER.

### A YEAR'S WORK

#### OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Board was duly re-organized in accordance with the directions given by the last Assembly, and the property of the former Board, and that of the Publication Committee consolidated.

Immediately after the union of the two concerns, an experienced Building Committee was appointed, "to provide a larger house, adequate to its now extended operations, and to the prospective growth of its business," on the premises now occupied. This edifice has already been begun, and the rear building is going up. So soon as it is completed, the other portion of the building, fronting upon Chestnut Street, will be erected. It is expected that the entire "*Presbyterian House*" will be completed before the meeting of the General Assembly in 1872. It will be four stories high. The first floor will furnish accommodations for the commercial arrangements of the Board. The second story will contain the necessary office-rooms for the use of the Board itself, and a large and suitable room for meetings of various kinds, besides accommodations for all other branches of the Assembly's benevolent operations located in Philadelphia. Ample fire-proof vaults will also be provided for the valuable stereotype plates owned by the Board. Towards defraying the cost of this building, one generous donor, Mr. John A. Brown, of Philadelphia, has contributed the munificent sum of \$25,000. Several other gentlemen have given handsome amounts.

The Board has decided to keep, to a limited extent and under certain restrictions, the publications of other houses; especially such as the following:

1. Bibles, Testaments, and prose and poetical versions of the Psalms of David.
2. Sabbath-school library books deemed by the Board, after examination, suitable for use by our schools.
3. Samples of all Sabbath-school requisites, with a full stock of such as are in demand.
4. Approved Commentaries on the Scriptures.

5. Other books of special interest to the constituency of the Board, either devotional, practical, literary or theological.

#### NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The attention of the Board has been largely directed during the year to a careful review and reconstruction of its internal arrangements, and to preliminary plans for enlarging its work, and making it more useful to the Church in the years to come. It has also issued the following new publications:—eighteen bound volumes, three 18mo. tracts, one 32mo. tract, one series of Westminster Sabbath-school Lessons, twenty Spanish tracts, eight German tracts, and one 12mo. English tract.

It has printed during the year, 434,550 copies of former publications, and 135,000 copies of new ones, making a total of 569,550 copies. In addition to these it has issued 190,250 copies of the *Presbyterian Monthly*, the *Record*, and the *Presbyterian Monthly Record*, and 1,800,000 copies of the *Sabbath-school Visitor*.

The Descriptive Catalogue forms a handsome, muslin-bound, duodecimo volume of four hundred and fifty pages. The Board is able to present to the Presbyterian body a noble list, embracing a mass of Presbyterian, Calvinistic, and evangelical literature, of the highest value. Its *two thousand two hundred and eighty* separate publications, of which 1257 are bound volumes, range from the Primer, with its A B C, to Calvin's Institutes, and from the little leaflet up to the ponderous octavo. In theology, in expositions of church order and discipline, in polemics and pastoral aids, it is rich; nor is it less rich in works enforcing practical morality and piety, and pointing to a closer walk with God, and a more earnest life for him and his glory. For the young, abundant provision is made.

#### THE PRESBYTERIAN SABBATH-SCHOOL VISITOR.

This paper for our young people is issued semi-monthly, but is taken only monthly by many of our Sabbath-schools. In round numbers, the circulation of the *Monthly Visitor* has been one hundred thousand, and that of the *Semi-monthly* fifty thousand, thus giving a distribution of one hundred and fifty thousand of these instructive and beautifully illustrated papers each month.

#### THE PRESBYTERIAN MONTHLY RECORD.

In accordance with the instructions of the last Assembly, the "*Record*" and the "*Presbyterian Monthly*," of the late branches of the Church, were united under the title of "*The Presbyterian Monthly Record*." This union was effected in the number for August, 1870, and the consolidated magazine has since that date been published by the Board of Publication, for the Boards of the Church. Whilst published by this Board, the control of its own pages in the magazine belongs to each of the represented Boards.

The monthly circulation of the *Presbyterian Monthly Record* has varied from 15,000 to 13,250. The whole number issued of the *Presbyterian Monthly*, *The Record*, and the *Presbyterian Monthly Record*, for the year, has been 190,250 copies.

#### COLPORTAGE AND DONATIONS.

This branch of the Board's work is carried forward by the help of its *Mis-*

*sionary Fund*, which is replenished by an annual contribution from the churches, by donations from individuals, and by legacies.

During the past year 129 colporteurs have been in commission for either the whole or portions of the year. These have labored in 18 States and Territories of the Union, besides the Dominion of Canada, and one in Brazil. Of these colporteurs, 105 have reported that with a large majority of the tens of thousands of families visited they have held religious conversation and prayer. They have also conversed with and labored among many thousands of persons by the wayside, and have sown the seeds of truth in the most remote and unlikely places, in some of which no foot of a missionary has ever trodden. It is the desire of the Board to have at least one well qualified and active colporteur at work in each Presbytery; such colporteur to be selected and recommended to the Board by the Presbytery itself, or by its Publication Committee.

#### GRANTS VOTED BY THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

During the year the Board has made 318 grants. Among these have been made one or more to the Sandwich Islands, to Liberia, Brazil, New Grenada, Italy (for the Waldenses), Portugal, Syria, Mexico, West Africa (Gaboon Mission), St. Domingo, Spain, Northern India, the Creek Indians, and the Choctaws. The remainder were sent to *thirty-five different States and Territories* of the Union. Of these grants the largest number were given to pastors, missionaries, and other individuals, for gratuitous distribution in their respective congregations or vicinities; the next largest number to poor or mission Sabbath-schools; the remainder to churches unable to purchase, to Freedmen's schools, and to miscellaneous objects.

The number of volumes *sold* by colporteurs during the year was 38,179; the number of volumes *given away* by colporteurs and by the Missionary Committee, 50,595, besides 3,166,232 pages of tracts. Thus through the Board's missionary department, very nearly ninety thousand volumes, including many copies of our Presbyterian standards and a large amount of sound Calvinistic literature, intermingled with others not strictly denominational, yet thoroughly religious and evangelical, as well as more than three millions of pages of tracts, have been scattered over our land.

#### SUSTENTATION.

The entire receipts of the year into the treasury of the Board, and of the Publication Committee before the union was completed, from all sources, including balances therein at the beginning of the year, have amounted to \$182,139.67. The aggregate of expenditures during the year, including the amount passed to the Building Fund, has been \$186,070.96. The balance in the treasury for business purposes at the end of the year, is \$11,762.80.

#### SALES OF THE YEAR.

The cash received from the year's sales have been as follows:

Bookstore sales, \$79,831.27; sales by colporteurs, \$39,002.88; Sabbath-school Visitor, \$15,436.59; Record, \$5,268.66. Total, \$139,539.40.



## THE MISSIONARY FUND.

The receipts for the Missionary Fund have been \$37,919.39, and the expenditures therefrom \$34,095.20. The receipts have therefore exceeded the expenditures by \$3,824.19. The number of contributing churches reported last year was 1130, including 115 which had sent in their contributions to the Synodical Board of Colportage at Pittsburgh. The number *this* year is 1457, including 136 which have given their contributions to the Synodical Board at Pittsburgh. There has thus been an increase of 327 contributing churches this year to this cause. For several years past there has been a steady increase in the number of churches taking an interest in this part of the Board's work.

## A NEW IMPULSE GIVEN.

From Clayton, Michigan, we have the following response to a grant:

"The package of books you were so kind as to send to our little Sabbath-school in Clayton, came in my absence. The books were received with a great many expressions of gratitude to the Board for so generous a gift. The children are delighted with their present. By this act of kind remembrance a new impulse has been given to the Sabbath-school, and I cherish the fond hope that a new impulse has been given to the religious interests of the community.

"May the Lord prosper this Board in their work of love, till through the gospel's influence and the power of a pure Christian literature, our sons shall become as plants grown up in their youth, and our daughters as corner-stones polished after the similitude of a palace."

## DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE MISSIONARY FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, SINCE LAST ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Sprague ch	\$3 00	Breckinridge (Buffalo) ch	10 00
Mayfield ch	3 50	West Aurora ch	5 00
Kingsboro ch	19 40	South Wales ch	3 00
Mariaville ch	8 00	<i>Pby of Buffalo City</i> —Calvary (Buffalo) ch	54 91
West Galway ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Virgil ch	2 00
Johnstown ch	29 70	Marathon ch	7 31
Galway ch	6 50	<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Richview ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Pana 1st ch	22 90	Goleconda ch	5 70
Belleville ch	7 75	Enfield ch	4 00
Chester ch	6 25	Sharon ch	2 00
Pleasant Ridge ch	6 50	<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Middle Spring ch	35 00
Alton 1st ch	27 00	Greencastle ch	25 00
Bethel ch	10 50	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Poplar Tent ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Salem ch, Edisto	3 00	Concord ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Athens</i> —Athens 1st ch	13 00	Greensboro' (Sab-sch) ch	3 50
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Lonaconing ch	4 80	<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Port Byron ch	28 10
Barton ch	5 20	Jordan ch	5 50
Ellicott City ch	10 00	Genoa 1st ch	17 65
<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —West Liberty ch	6 65	<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Tipton ch	9 30
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Napa ch	15 00	Bellevue ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Unity ch	26 00	Springfield ch	2 60
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Heyworth ch	13 00	<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Coatesville ch	25 00
Paxton ch	7 00	Upper Octorara ch	15 48
Chenoca ch	10 60	Middle Octoraro ch	20 00
Washington ch	19 46	Darby 1st ch	9 53
Towanda ch 7, Sab-sch 1	8 00	<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Dunton ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Springport ch	10 15	<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Pisgah ch	8 00
Clarence ch	5 80	South Salem ch	12 25

North Fork ch	21 45	Indianapolis 5th ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Lebanon ch	23 00	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Walcott ch	6 00
Goshen ch 8 20, Sab-sch 1 80	10 00	Mechanicsville ch	10 78
Delhi ch	8 00	<i>Pby of Ithaca</i> —Newfield ch	5 00
Springdale ch	14 65	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Fairfield ch	7 00
Cincinnati 5th ch	26 35	Ottumwa ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Concord ch	10 00	Bentonport ch	1 00
Callensburg ch	6 00	West Point ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Charden ch	2 00	Burlington 1st ch	19 25
Lafayette ch	7 92	Spring Creek ch	6 37
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Valatie ch	20 00	Libertyville ch	3 00
Windham ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Kansas</i> —Burlington ch	3 25
<i>Pby of Colorado</i> —Colorado ch	5 70	<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —State Lick ch	10 86
Denver ch	17 00	<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Wyalusing 2d ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Kingston ch	9 00	Dunmore ch	4 00
Lithopolis ch	17 70	Wilkesbarre ch	100 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Centre ch	20 00	Wyoming ch	3 00
Rockville ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Sault St Marie	6 00
Crawfordsville 1st ch	7 50	Marquette ch	24 45
Lexington ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Leavenworth</i> —Olathe ch	30 00
Dover ch	3 90	<i>Pby of Lexington</i> —Savannah ch	10 50
Darlington ch	4 15	<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Central ch	7 00
Bethel ch	2 83	Columbus Grove ch	5 25
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Middletown ch	8 13	<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Rensselaer ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Knoxville ch	6 90	Concord ch	6 50
St Charles ch Sab-sch	1 25	<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Pottsville ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Holly ch	5 00	Middle Smithfield ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Strasburg ch	9 00	<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —South Hampton ch	20 32
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Epworth ch	1 00	Islip ch	7 00
Manchester 1st ch	3 00	Islip Sab-sch	8 50
Lansing ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Havanna ch	17 83
Pleasant Grove ch	4 45	<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Madison 2d ch	20 50
Cooper Creek ch	55	Lawrenceburg ch	5 81
Hopkinton ch	6 25	<i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Union ch, St Peter	15 50
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Woodbridge St ch	10 00	Redwood 1st ch	2 00
Siloam ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Liberty ch	9 00
Westminster Elizabeth ch	75 00	Brown ch	7 00
Pluckamin ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Marshall</i> —Brooklyn ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Milledgeville ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —West Unity ch	2 00
Cochranon ch	5 00	Perrysburg ch	10 00
Park Erie ch	31 00	Toledo 1st ch	13 82
Park ch	15 00	Toledo 2d ch	2 00
Corry ch	14 00	Toledo 3d ch	2 60
Fairfield ch	7 00	<i>Pby of Michigan</i> —Woodhull ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Cedarville ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Poncas ch	1 00
Middle Creek ch	12 00	Rockville ch	2 50
<i>Pby of Fox River</i> —Oconto ch	19 55	Blackbird ch	2 50
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Fort Wayne 3d ch	7 80	<i>Pby of Mohawk</i> —Park Central ch, Syracuse	43 45
Warsaw 1st ch	4 25	Oneida ch	49 00
La Grange ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Shrewsbury ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Franklin</i> —Rev Edmund Garland	4 50	Bordentown ch	4 50
<i>Pby of Grand River Valley</i> —Grand Rapids ch	5 16	Hightstown ch	20 00
Sab-Sch	5 16	Mount Holly ch	16 00
Grand Haven ch	13 00	<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Monroe 1st ch	32 00
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Batavia ch	39 26	Adrian 1st ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Galena and Belvidere</i> —Rockford 1st ch	32 75	<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Welsh ch (Dover)	10 00
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Geneva 1st ch	42 41	<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Hartford ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Highland ch	8 00	Marion ch	3 33
<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Mt Bethel ch	2 00	Anderson 1st ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Walbridge ch	5 00	<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Hanover ch	7 12
Hopewell ch	21 25	Pleasant Township ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Clearfield ch	33 45	Orleans ch	1 00
Shavers Creek ch	5 38	Lexington ch	6 00
Milesburg ch	13 00	<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Crawford ch	2 00
Moshannon and Snow Shoe ch	4 41	Wickliffe ch (Newark)	18 66
Bethel ch	7 56	Madison ch	25 05
Philpsburg ch	5 95	<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Princeton 2d ch	13 00
Bradford ch	3 05	Kirkpatrick ch	12 52
Kylertown ch	3 00	Amwell 1st English ch	13 00
Spruce Creek ch	100 00	Milford ch	15 50
Pine Grove ch	8 45	Holland ch	5 50
Shade Gap ch	7 50	Amwell United 1st ch	20 00
Birmingham ch	23 02	<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Green Hill ch	12 20
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Milan ch	7 00	Rock River ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Illinois</i> —Camp Creek ch	10 00	Zion ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Union ch	4 20	New Castle ch, John Johns, Esq	300 00
Southport ch	4 40	Forks of Brandywine ch	20 00
Indianapolis 3d ch	63 60	<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Iola ch	5 00
Hopewell ch	13 00		

<i>Pby of New York</i> —Mt Washington ch	10 00	Good Hope ch	2 50
<i>Pby of New York</i> 3d—North Bergen ch	7 00	Pontoosuck ch	5 95
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Mansfield 1st ch	15 00	Appanoose ch	4 25
Yellow Frame ch	11 00	Clayton 1st ch	8 00
Pleasant Grove ch	10 00	Ebenezer ch	13 50
Danville ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Syracuse 4th ch	40 00
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Carlton 1st ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Bath 1st ch	16 50
Youngstown ch	8 50	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Sidney 1st ch	13 42
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Bethlehem ch	11 67	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Pleasant Hill ch	6 00
Rondout ch	60 00	Stenbenville 1st ch	23 23
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —		Bethesda ch	3 00
Williamsport 3d ch	11 00	Canonsburg ch	10 00
Grove ch	20 00	New Cumberland ch	6 00
Shamokin ch	5 21	<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Rockhill ch	5 00
Mahoning ch	31 89	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Nazareth ch	4 00
Mahoning Sab-sch	12 95	Bethlehem ch	2 85
McEwensville ch	12 00	High St ch, St Louis	10 00
Mifflinburg ch	9 72	<i>Pby of Southern Minnesota</i> —Albert Lee ch	4 00
New Berlin ch	9 05	<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Gouverneur 1st ch	19 00
<i>Pby of Ontario</i> —Perry ch	10 70	Canton ch	18 00
<i>Pby of Oregon</i> —Jackson Co ch	10 00	Ogdensburg ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Osage</i> —Kansas City ch	10 00	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Central ch, St Paul	23 58
Clinton 1st ch 6, Sab-sch 5	11 00	St Anthony ch	21 15
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Ottawa 1st ch	15 64	Duluth ch	6 60
Aurora ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Irish Grove ch	8 75
Elgin ch	5 60	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 9th ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Charleston ch	10 00	Woodside ch Troy	7 00
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Brookfield ch 25, Sab-sch 5	5 35	Johnsonville ch	1 00
	30 35	Pittstown ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Mount Freedom ch	15 00	Fort Edward ch	7 56
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Atlanta ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Waterville ch	20 37
Yates City ch	10 00	Oriskany ch	6 20
John Knox ch	6 50	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Indiana ch	5 00
Ipava ch	14 00	Vine St ch, Evansville	26 00
Brunswick ch	4 10	Vincennes 2d ch	11 30
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Arch St ch "A C M"	5 00	<i>Pby of Vinton</i> —Vinton 2d ch	5 02
Philadelphia 2d ch	46 50	<i>Pby of Wabash</i> —Tuscola 1st ch	6 75
Woodland ch	60 00	Homer ch	8 06
Clinton St ch	5 00	Shelbyville ch	1 00
West Spruce St ch—Sab-sch	30 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Clayville ch	5 00
John D McCord	25 00	<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Clarksville ch	5 00
Th S Frances	1 00	Waverly ch	13 00
Mrs Hannah B Crossman	2 00	Theresa ch	5 36
Chas H Grant	50 00	Plessis ch	4 14
Henry Maule	25 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Cedarville ch	2 50
Morris Patterson	25 00	Daretown ch	20 00
John C Mercer	5 00	Fishersville ch	20 00
Various persons	140 67	Bunker Hill ch	1 50
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —		Camden 2d ch	18 00
Cohocksink ch	40 00	Salem ch	35 00
West Arch St ch	60 15	Bridgeton West ch	22 65
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Holmesburg ch	14 12	<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Wellsboro' ch	5 00
North ch, Young Ladies' Bible class	30 00	<i>Pby of Western Reserve</i> —Memorial ch	5 00
Meshoppen ch	3 00	Cleveland, Ohio, Westminster ch	5 00
North ch, Philadelphia	60 00	<i>Pby of Wilmington</i> —Delaware City ch	10 25
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Irontdale 1st ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Hastings ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Gallipolis ch	10 55	<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Winneconne ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Raritan</i> —Stockton ch	17 40	Weyauwega ch	24 00
<i>Pby of Richland</i> —Ashland 1st ch	29 20	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Shelby ch	10 40
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Nunda ch	15 00	Jeromeville ch	7 00
Ogden Centre ch	6 23	Nashville ch	42 00
Springwater ch	4 00	Hayesville ch	10 80
Westminster, Rochester, ch	18 00	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Prince William 1st ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Rochester City</i> —Central ch	40 63	Falls ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Edgington ch	12 00	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Sing Sing ch	50 00
Pleasant Ridge ch	2 00	North Salem ch	5 00
Geneseo ch	6 00	Stamford 1st ch Sab-sch	6 19
Princeton 1st ch 23 52, Sab-sch 4	27 52	Mt Kisco ch	15 44
New Boston ch	1 00	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Palaskala ch	8 00
Edwards ch	2 00	Jersey ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Rock Island</i> —Henderson ch	13 00	West Carlisle and Jefferson chs	14 06
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Au Sable ch	2 61		
<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Carmi ch	9 25		
<i>Pby of Santa Fé</i> —Las Vegas ch	1 00		
<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Springfield 1st ch	85 94		
<i>Pby of San Francisco</i> —Howard St ch	1 50		
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Monmouth 1st ch	28 35		
Camp Point ch	6 30		
Pittsfield ch	3 00		
Augusta ch	6 00		

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Euphemia Holdridge	1 00
"M K," Troy	5 00
"P"	20 00

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## BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

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## MORAL INFLUENCE OF CHURCH ERECTION.

A voice greets us in pleasant strain from Nevada:—"Your kind letter containing check for \$700 is received, and I hardly know how to express my gratitude to the Board, and to Almighty God for his aid in this our time of need. It is, I assure you, a relief to us all, more than I can describe in words. It has taken a weight from off our shoulders which was more depressing than you can imagine, by enabling us to meet our creditors with money in hand at the promised time. Had we not received it just now, we must have been disgraced as a Christian society, for the non-fulfilment of our promise. But now we can meet every demand—for this we feel thankful. Personally, you have done me a great favor by verifying my word before this people. When we commenced to build, I induced them to give liberally, by the promise that you would come to our help when we had done all we could, and from time to time, as bills come in for payment, I encouraged them in the same way. Sometimes they doubted whether you would assist them; they seemed to think you cared very little about us, and that I had no hold upon you, as you had not, in anticipation of the Board's action, promised us any thing. They see now that I meant what I said, and that I was not deceived in the Board. For this I am personally thankful. But this is not all; you have done us good morally.

*"The influence of your action will have its moral effect upon the minds of all the people, both good and bad. In this country nothing is more common than to hear people complain of the heartlessness of our wealthy churches in the East, who can leave their poorer brethren to worship God out in the open air, or in some dilapidated building. But now, they see that they are not overlooked, but cared for and helped by those who live in the East, and worship in fine churches."*

In the recent General Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Hall of New York said that, as a member of the Board, he had gained an idea of the importance of having the Board liberally and largely sustained. It should be borne in mind that many congregations gave slender aid for the purposes of the Board, and he trusted that ministers in general would lay the case before their congregations, and urge upon them the necessity of large contributions to this fund. There was hardly a single hamlet in the Union which was not bound to be "quite a place" within a few years. He hoped that these things would be continually urged upon the brethren in order that the fund might be swelled to a quarter of a million of dollars. Many people care little for religion; but all of them have a profound respect for real estate, so that a church with a building and lot of its own was looked upon as being of some importance. We have no right to expect of the young ministers and missionaries that they would find for themselves material structures. These were for the Church in general to furnish, and these, if furnished, would constitute the strongest of bonds for the lasting unity of the Church.

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, MAY 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —Albany Sprague ch		2 00	SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Mankato ch		7 50
Schenectady 1st ch		45 87	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Red Wing ch, special		10 00
West Galway ch		8 00	St Paul Central ch		30 22
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Windham Centre ch		3 00	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Richland Prairie ch		5 61
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Chestertown ch		3 00	SYNOD OF MISSOURI.— <i>Pby of St Louis</i> —High St ch,		19 00
Johnsonville ch		1 00	St Louis		
Pittstown ch		1 00	SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Dunel-		5 00
Troy 3d ch, of which 10 from Mrs Margaret			len ch		2 00
Chermerhorn		12 00	Crawford ch		8 50
SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.— <i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Concord ch		2 00	Bricksburg ch		18 00
Poplar Tent ch		2 00	Manalapan ch		
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Rock		20 00	<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Chester ch		15 00
ch		20 00	<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Princeton 2d ch		17 00
Zion ch		10 00	Trenton 1st ch		900 00
Darnestown ch		10 00	<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Hackettstown ch		50 00
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Mont-		13 30	Phillipsburgh ch		11 00
gomery ch		93 34	Middle Smithfield ch		5 00
Mt Auburn ch		12 00	Asbury ch		1 50
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Smith-		12 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Bunker Hill ch		16 51
field ch		22 26	Millville ch		30 00
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Athens</i> —Marietta		30 00	Pittsgrove ch		
Fourth St ch		25	SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Hopewell		21 25
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Delaware ch		18 00	ch		12 00
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Belleville ch		2 50	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Pound Ridge ch		10 00
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Madison ch		2 00	SYNOD OF PACIFIC.— <i>Pby of San Francisco</i> —Howard		2 50
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Centreville ch		20 00	St ch		17 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Petroleum Centre ch, special		2 00	<i>Pby of Oregon</i> —Jacksonville ch		2 00
SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —		2 00	SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Bangor		5 00
Westminster ch, add'l		22 35	ch		256 40
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Somerset ch		30 53	Pottsville 2d ch		40 67
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Dansville ch		3 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Calvary ch		
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Peters-		8 90	Morristown ch		16 00
burg ch		22 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Neshaminy ch		
Centre ch		42 50	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Rodstone</i> —Union-		50 00
Middletown ch		11 00	town ch		
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Sinking and Spring Creeks		12 00	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Huron</i> —Monroeville ch		8 00
chs		10 80	<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Perrysburgh ch		15 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Williamsport 3d ch		7 90	<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Syracuse 4th ch		2 00
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.— <i>Pby of Bloomington</i>		1 00	SYNOD OF UTAH.— <i>Pby of Binghampton</i> —Virgil ch		2 00
—Monticello and Bement chs		10 00	Binghamton ch		10 98
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Canton ch		10 80	SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —		2 00
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Liberty ch		20 00	Fancy Creek ch		2 00
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —		1 00	Richland Centre ch		2 00
New Boston ch		9 01	Richland City ch		1 00
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —Alton		12 00	MISCELLANEOUS.		
1st ch Sab-sch		5 00	Sundry chs in Ohio, special		331 43
Tuscola 1st ch		10 09	Mrs E S Murray, Memorial		10 00
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Wakefield ch		20 00	Miss Martha Murray, Memorial		5 00
SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —		1 00	Miss Mary Murray, Memorial		5 00
Indianapolis 2d, balance		25 00	Chas Murray, Memorial		25 00
Zionville ch, Memorial		6 75	Geo R Wood, N Y		5 00
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Orleans ch		6 25	Josiah S Brown, Memorial		600 00
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —		10 50	J R Hills, N Y, special		2 00
Tipton ch		2 35	"A Friend," N Y, add'l		10 00
Tipton Sab-sch		5 00	G M A, special		5 00
Clinton ch		20 00	Miss Lizzie Hays, St Louis, Memorial		20 00
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Wood-		6 00	W L Breckinridge, D.D., Mo		5 00
burn ch		2 00	Mrs R A Mars, Ind		5 00
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Princeton ch		100 00	Joseph Thompson, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		8 00
Mt Union ch		50 00	John R Campbell, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		15 00
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —La-		20 00	J H Brillhart, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		5 00
fayette Ave ch		15 00	J H Lichteberger, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		15 00
Brooklyn 2d ch, special		5 00	Dubre Thomas, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		10 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Shelter Island ch		9 00	Rebecca Sutton, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		10 00
<i>Pby of Lansing</i> —Fairview ch		22 00	Rebecca Moore, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		5 00
SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —Hastings		44 00	Maggie Cummins, Indiana, Pa, Memorial		
ch			Total for April,		\$4,100 54
<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Wyandotte 1st ch			NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.		
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Byron ch					



## RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*

REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Extracts from the Report of the Standing Committee of the General Assembly on the Relief Fund, presented by Dr. Poor, and adopted by the Assembly, May 1871.

In accordance with instructions of the General Assembly the last year, the two Committees of the reunited bodies, viz: that on Ministerial Relief (N.S.), and that on Disabled Ministers (O.S.), continued in office until they could transfer their business and funds into the charge of the Trustees of the Assembly, their appointed successors. This was done. On the 24th of June, 1870, the Committee elected by the Trustees to act in the matter held its first session.

A fitter body to be continued in charge of this important trust could hardly be chosen. The list of names enrolled on the first page of the Report—names, many of them, of highest eminence alike in Church and State, affords the best guarantee for confidence in the safe and judicious management of its affairs.

In the results given of the year's work we see the most gratifying indications of steady progress in this cause, as also of its great utility. The total amount of contributions was \$64,339.99, being an access over the previous year of \$13,687.02. This increase during a year of unusual demand is a cheering evidence of a growing determination on the part of the Church to wipe away the reproach resting upon it, in consequence of past neglect. May it steadily continue.

The permanent fund has been augmented to the sum of over \$85,000. This has been done partly through legacies, amounting to \$9,419.75, and partly through Memorial Offerings, amounting to \$12,000, with the prospect of additions. Of the first importance is it that this sum be greatly enlarged and held as a pledge on the part of the Church, that the provisions made for its disabled servants or their dependent ones should be put beyond a peradventure, beyond the fluctuations of annual contributions.

The appropriations have advanced in equal ratio with the contributions, the total being \$67,371.74, showing an excess over the preceding year of \$14,682.50. This sum has been distributed as needed; to ministers, 108; to widows of ministers, 144, and to orphans of fifteen families. Of these, sixty-one are new cases. Looking over the records of the Committee, we discover among those thus assisted, the names of some who once were leaders in our Assemblies, and foremost in the advocacy of the measures of our Church; the names, also, of others noted for their self-denying zeal in less prominent frontier labors. These have their declining years now gladdened and made comfortable by this just payment of what is due them for past services. The thought of who they are and what they have done only serves to enhance our sense of the heavy disgrace which would have been incurred, had they been left to chance charities instead of receiving as they now do the kind care, such as children owe to parents in the time of their weakness and decay.

Though the income has not equaled the disbursements, yet by reason of a balance in the treasury of last year, there still remains on hand the sum of \$6,405.17. This, however, will soon be taken up in paying such installments as will come due from time to time, amounting to over \$14,000. There should be, therefore, no relaxation of effort in behalf of this cause at a time when heavy exactions are suddenly breaking down the strength of the strongest, and often putting their families in circumstances the most trying. The treasury of this fund should be fully supplied, so as to meet all the fair draughts.

It is gratifying to learn that thus far the Committee have been able promptly to meet every call for aid. Many cases of need, no doubt, yet exist, which ought to be inquired into, and reported by Presbyteries and individuals. It often happens that a false delicacy operates to hinder application for relief on the part of some of the most deserving. Let such be encouraged to make known their circumstances, and receive the benefit to which they are entitled accordingly. Your Committee would, in compliance with the suggestions of the report, earnestly



recommend that this Assembly repeal the action of former Assemblies in this matter, in the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That all the Presbyteries appoint standing committees to take in charge the whole subject of ministerial relief within their respective limits.

2. That diligent inquiry be made so that none who are in want and entitled to aid shall be neglected.

3. That annual collections shall be taken up in the Church, and that all suitable means be employed to increase the funds of this cause both for current use and for permanent endowment.

In conclusion, we heartily congratulate the Church and Assembly on the steady growth of interest evinced in the cause of Ministerial Relief, and also on the faithful management of the funds appropriated to it. The cause, however, needs to be still further pressed on public attention, and the Church to be brought to feel still more its sacred and binding character. The duty of Ministerial Relief is one which affects the honor and the interest of the churches, no less than it does the comfort and welfare of ministers and their families. To abandon those who have faithfully served at the altar, and have enjoyed the right to live by the altar, and suffer them to linger around it at last in destitution and suffering when no longer capable of service, is to vitiate the sacrifice which is laid thereon. The God who "careth for the oxen" cannot be supposed to look with complacency or indifference upon such neglect of His ordained servants. Still further, the sight of such neglect is seriously calculated to deter young men from entering the ministry in our connection. No small courage and self-denial does it require to confront the prospect of being left to shift for one's self in the time of weakness and age, or of leaving dear ones, at death, to want and charity, after having toiled this life upon a bare support. And it is a fact, at once melancholy and significant, that pious young men have been known to turn away from us in view of it to join other standards, or to enter upon secular callings. This obstacle to ministerial consecration is now happily in process of removal. Anxiety for the future is now in a measure abated by the thought of this just and kindly provision which the Church is making for the days of darkness, and we can now cheerfully accept the daily bread without troubling ourselves with needless cares for the morrow. Not that our Heavenly Father is in any case to be distrusted; but as the faith of Elijah was no doubt confirmed by the sight of the ravens with their laden bills, so will our faith be strengthened as we see the well-filled hands of this Committee stretched out to supply our lack. God grant they may never hang down for emptiness.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS IN MAY 1871—In part.

CALIFORNIA.		NEW JERSEY.	
San Francisco, Howard st Pres ch	\$5 00	Princeton 2d Pres ch	\$28 00
CONNECTICUT.		Greenwich 1st Pres ch	24 25
Bridgeport 1st ch Sab-sch, Miss Lizzie		Bloomfield Pres ch	107 26
Hinsdale's class	\$10 00	Camden 1st ch, "From a lady"	2 00
ILLINOIS.		Daretown Pres ch	30 50
Tuscola 1st Pres ch	\$9 00	South Amboy Pres ch	5 00
Upper Alton Pres ch	5 00	Dunellen Pres ch	5 00
Macomb Pres ch	23 00	Belvidere 1st Pres ch, Memorial Fund	10 00
Dunton Pres ch	6 00	Orange 2d Pres ch	104 43
New Berlin Pres ch	1 00	Englewood Pres ch	535 00
INDIANA.		Phillipsburg Pres ch	10 00
Crawfordsville Centre Pres ch	\$36 50	Millville Pres ch	16 98
Orleans Pres ch	1 00	Asbury Pres ch	5 00
Wabash Pres ch	55 70	NEW YORK.	
IOWA.		Troy 9th Pres ch	\$5 00
Davenport 1st Pres ch	\$21 98	Waterloo Pres ch	60 00
MARYLAND.		Tarrytown, Anna Rockwell, Permt Fund	25 00
Rock ch	\$15 00	Ithaca, Joseph Esty, Memorial Fund	25 00
Zion ch	20 00	Virgil Pres ch	2 00
MICHIGAN.		Wyoming Pres ch	12 00
Sault Ste Marie Pres ch	\$6 83	Watertown 1st Pres ch	48 00
Birmingham Pres ch, Memorial Fund	15 00	Syracuse 1st Pres ch	28 22
MISSOURI.		New York City Eighty-fourth st Pres ch	10 00
Nazareth Pres ch	\$6 50	West Unty Pres ch	3 00
Bethlehem Pres ch	3 25	Woodbridge 1st ch	10 00
Webster Groves Pres ch	15 03	North Salem Pres ch	5 00
		West Galway Pres ch	9 00
		Watertown Slim st Pres ch	5 00
		Cohoes Pres ch	68 00
		Windham Centre Pres ch	12 00

(To be continued.)

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

Rev. A. C. McCLELLAND, *Cor. Secretary*, Box 544, Pittsburgh, Pa.REV. JAS. ALLISON, D.D., *Treasurer*, Lock Box 43, Pittsburgh, Pa.WM. MAIN, Esq., *Receiving Agent*, 907 Arch street, Philadelphia.

## SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1.

MISSIONARIES.—In its work, as organized for the year just closed, the Presbyterian Committee of Missions for Freedmen reports 36 ministers, 23 catechists, and 58 teachers; in all, 117 missionaries, of whom 66 were of the African race. In addition to the above number of *teachers*, there were 53 who taught from one to two months each, at opening of the year, under old commissions, and 9 students of Lincoln University, who taught self-supporting schools in vacation, under commission from the present Committee.

CHURCHES.—Eight have been organized, and the whole number now under care of the Committee is 97. To these have been added, on examination, 1007. on certificate, 167, in all, 1174; and the whole number of communicants is 7688. In several churches there has been an encouraging degree of religious interest, resulting in the ingathering of a goodly number, 113 on profession of faith having been added to a single church; and one now reports 659 in its communion. These poor churches, with their schools, have raised this year, over \$8,000, not including additional contributions to the Foreign Mission, and other Boards.

## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN APRIL, 1871.

(Continued from page 192.)

		Sab-sch of Delhi, N Y, for support of teacher	
Neshannock ch, Presby of Shenango	\$35 00	First ch, Phelps, N Y	90 00
Brookfield ch, Presby of Palmyra	2 00	First ch. New Lisbon, Ohio	31 19
Lewistown ch, Pa	66 76	Red Oak ch, Presby of Iowa City	21 25
Ottawa ch, Kansas	50	Fairview ch, Presby of Washington	7 00
Stone St ch, Watertown, N Y	15 00	First ch, Allegan, Mich	5 00
Northfield ch, Ohio	10 00	Chesapeake City ch, Md, Presby of New Castle	5 00
Superior ch, Presby of Lake Superior	3 00	Port Carbon ch, Presby of Lehigh	10 00
H P Thompson, Presby of Catawba, Ky	2 00	Sylvania ch, Pa	5 00
Central ch, Allegheny, Pres of Allegheny	15 00	Sauquoit ch, N Y	13 12
Knoxville ch, Ill	5 00	Astoria ch, Presby of Nassau	10 00
First ch, Minn, Mich	4 00	First ch, Northumberland, Presby of Northumberland	5 00
Sab-sch Wilkesville ch, Ohio	14 25	Woodhull ch, Presby of Saginaw	2 00
Coshooton ch, Presby of Zanesville	16 00	Ponca ch, Presby of Missouri River	1 00
Seventh ch, Philadelphia	71 30	Iola ch, Presby of Neosho	5 00
West Farm ch, Presby of Hudson	19 00	Mrs Miles P Squier, Presby of Geneva	10 00
Caldwell ch, N J	31 10	Towanda ch, Presby of Lackawana	37 14
Jewett ch, Presby of Columbia	33 00	First ch, Norwalk, Ohio	28 65
Connecticut Farms ch, Pres of Elizabeth	15 83	Sauquoit ch, N Y, add'l	1 00
Second ch, Oxford, Presby of Newton	35 00	First ch, Morristown, N J	43 31
Deerfield ch, Presby of West Jersey	13 00	Bethlehem ch, Presby of Albany	8 00
Elizabethport ch, Presby of Elizabeth	10 00	First ch, Ithaca, Presby of Geneva	60 00
Wattsburgh ch, Presby of Erie	14 45	Cutchoque ch, N Y	8 79
Southold ch, Presby of Long Island	5 00	First ch, Durham, N Y	8 60
South Third St ch, Williamsburgh, Presby of Brooklyn	38 17	College Corners ch, Presby of Dayton	5 00
Pulaski ch, Presby of Wisconsin River	4 00	Harmony ch, Presby of Dayton	7 50
Frankville ch, Presby of Dubuque	2 00	Mt Kisco ch, Presby of West Chester	20 00
Miss Mary Nickle, Emlenton, Pa, Memorial	1 00	New Vernon ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	10 00
Sab-sch Westminster ch, Presby of Erie	24 92	Central ch, Presby of Orange	54 00
Green Island ch, Presby of New York	3 00	Swartswood ch, Presby of Newton	2 00
Milroy ch, Presby of Huntingdon	10 00	Benton ch, Presby of Corisco	6 10
Shamokin town ch 6 41; Sab-sch 9 15	15 56	Evangelisimba ch, Presby of Corisco	3 00
Massillon ch, Presby of Mahoning	16 47	Rev R H Nassau, Presby of Corisco	3 00
Shady Side Sab-sch Presby of Pittsburgh	100 00	Miss Nassau, Presby of Corisco	5 00
Sixth ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	113 17	Miss Charity Sneed, Presby of Corisco	3 00
Mt Carmel ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	7 37	J O Hedges, Hanover, N J	25 00
North Branch ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	5 20	J A Logan, Mineral Point, Pa, Biddle Institute, Memorial	10 00
Mt Washington ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	7 00	First ch, Charleston, Ill	10 00
Kirkville ch, Iowa	3 25	<i>For Scotia Seminary—</i>	
Waynesburgh ch, Presby of Steubenville	6 00	Phelps, Dodge & Co, N Y	255 00
Bethlehem ch, Presby of Steubenville	6 00	Rev A C McClelland, Pittsburgh	25 00
Bristol ch, Pa	8 08	Robt McClellan, Pittsburgh	10 00
Bristol ch, Pa, add'l	16 92	Margaret E McClintock, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00
Fairview ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	4 00	Rev John McClintock, Carmichaels, Pa	10 00
Bethany ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	33 00	Maggie Cummins, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00
Third ch, Pittsburg, Presby of Pittsburgh	337 60	Paul Rea, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00
Third ch, Wheeling, West Virginia	1 00	J H Rea, Carmichaels, Pa	10 00
York ch, Pa	240 80		
Milton ch, Presby of Northumberland	39 00		
Filton ch, Altoona, Pa	35 10		



Margaret A Hart, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00	Thos Gabler, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00
Jehu Jamison, Carmichaels, Pa	10 00	W H H Coon, Bedford, O	50 00
Lydia Cumpbell, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00	Miss Mary C Kuhn, Bedford, O	10 00
Lizzie M Swan, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00	W H H Coon, Bedford, O	50 00
M J Armstrong, Carmichaels, Pa	5 00		
Fannie Bailey, Carmichaels Pa	5 00		

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## DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN MAY, 1871.

Sharon ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	\$4 75	Waldberg ch, Presby of Hudson	3 00
Cross Roads ch, Presby of Blairsville	13 50	German ch, Jackson Co, Presby of New Albany	3 00
Poland ch, Presby of Vincennes	2 75	Lansingburg ch, Presby of Troy	25 00
Bethany ch, Presby of Vincennes	7 25	First ch, Woodbridge, Presby of Elizabeth	10 00
Martinsville ch, Presby of St Clairsville	8 00	First ch, Mendham, Presby of Morris and Orange	41 81
Senecaville ch, Presby of St Clairsville	2 00	West Unity ch, Presby of Maumee	2 00
First ch, Elmira, N Y	50 00	North Salem ch, Presby of West Chester	5 00
Milan ch, Ohio	11 00	Belleville ch, Presby of Wooster	2 25
Bethel ch, Presby of Dayton	2 00	Perth Amboy ch, Presby of Elizabeth	14 50
Reiley ch, Presby of Dayton	2 00	Third ch, Newark, ch, Presby of Newark, Memorial	25 00
Rev C H Raymond, Presby of Dayton	5 00	Orleans ch, Presby of New Albany	1 00
Mrs E F Halloway, Phila, Pa, Memorial	10 00	Second ch Paterson, Presby of Jersey City	13 00
Phillipsburg ch, Presby of Huntington	4 00	Shelter Island ch, Presby of Long Island	20 00
East Freedom, per N J Gibson	3 00	Tompkins Ave ch, Presby of Brooklyn	10 10
Squan Village ch, Presby of Monmouth	2 00	Hopewell ch, Presby of Hudson	10 00
Columbus ch, Presby of Monmouth	5 66	Ithaca ch, Presby of Geneva, for support of Miss Higgins	24 63
First ch, Abington, add'l, per Rev S T Lowrie	10 00	Holley ch, New York	10 00
Fall Brook ch, Presby of Wellsboro	10 00	Sab-sch Clinton St ch, Phila	25 00
Village ch, Presby of Monmouth	33 37	Jacksonville ch, Presby of Kittanning, Memorial	5 00
Seventh ch, Phila, add'l, from Miss C H	5 00	E M Babbit, ch of Cold Water, Mich	10 00
Media ch, Presby of Philadelphia, Pa	10 00	Sprague ch, Presby of Albany	2 00
Claysville ch, Presby of Washington	5 00	Fourth ch, Syracuse, Presby of Syracuse	80 00
Farmington ch, Presby of St Paul	1 00	Waverly ch, Presby of Chemung	17 00
Muskingum ch, Presby of Zanesville	20 00	First ch, Greenville, Presby of Newton	10 25
Canonsburgh ch, Presby of Pittsburgh, Memorial	10 00	Yellow Creek ch, Presby of Steubenville	38 25
First ch, Davenport, Iowa	20 00	Alex Campbell, Glasgow, O	100 00
Bell Air ch, Presby of St Clairsville	15 00	Pigeon Creek ch, Presby of Washington	17 50
Washington ch, E Tenn	5 40	Murraysville ch, Presby of Blairsville	6 00
Newburgh ch, Presby of West Virginia	4 00	Concord ch, Presby of Kittanning	10 00
Virgil ch, Presby of Binghamton	2 00	Mahoning ch, Presby of Kittanning	4 00
Second ch, Princeton, N J	15 00	Pittstown ch, Presby of Troy	1 00
First Ger ch, Cincinnati, O	10 00	First ch, Newark, N J	93 44
Bethel ch, Presby of Cincinnati	5 00	Shelbyville ch, Ill	1 00
Spring Hill ch, Presby of Bellefontaine	8 94	First ch, Trenton, N J	5 00
Mt Auburn ch, Presby of Cincinnati	61 06		
First ch, Harrisburgh, Presby of Carlisle	302 50		
Mrs M E De Witt, 1st ch Harrisburgh, for Biddle Memorial Institute	25 00		
Rev N M Urmston, Hillsboro, O, Memorial	5 00		
Mrs E W Ruliffson, Chicago, Ill	5 00		
Calvary ch	4 00		
Catawba River ch, Presby of Yadkin	2 60		
Second ch, Lafayette, Ind	49 23		
R M W, New York City	15 00		
Westminster ch, Buffalo, N Y	34 70		
Stockton ch, N J	1 00		
First ch, Watertown, N Y	50 00		
Black Bird Hills ch, Presby of Missouri River	7 00		
Webster Groves ch, Mo	16 00		
First ch, Providence, Presby of Lackawana	14 50		
Louisburg sch, Presby of Yadkin	4 00		
Ch in Jackson Co, Oregon	10 00		
Morrison ch, Presby of Rock River	27 00		
Sab-sch 1st ch Alton, Ill	8 97		
Eckmansville ch, Presby of Portsmouth	3 00		
Shady Side ch, Presby of Pittsburgh, Memorial	20 00		
Upper Alton ch, Presby of Alton	2 00		
Miss E Pew, member of Mercer ch, Pa, special for Miss Ethridge	5 00		
First ch and Sab-sch, of Champaign, Ill	37 21		
Sinking and Spring Creek chs, Pa	40 00		
Englewood ch, N J	105 16		
First ch, West Chester, Pa	22 43		
First Mansfield ch, Presby of Newton	10 00		
Joseph Esy, Esq, Ithaca, N Y, Memorial	300 00		
W H Cowan, Knoxville, Iowa, Memorial	5 00		
Fairview ch, Presby of Washington	5 00		
Hight Street ch, St Louis, Mo	5 00		
Kirkersville ch, Presby of Zanesville	4 30		
Members of Cross Creek ch, Presby of Washington, Memorial	20 00		
First ch, New York	3,189 23		
First ch, Paterson, Presby of Jersey City	160 00		
Wyalusing ch, Presby of Lackawana	3 00		

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## Money received and expended in the Field.

Pby of Atlantic—St Andrews sch 2 50; Edisto ch 12; Salem ch 10; St Paul ch 15; Knox Plantation sch 2 10	41 60
Pby of Catawba—Charlotte sch 15 30; Scotia Seminary 1 25	16 55
Pby of Holston—Greeneville sch	4 45
Pby of Knox—Atlanta ch 10 30; Dalton ch 11 50; Williams sch 11	32 80
Pby of Louisville—Louisville ch	13 00
Pby of Nashville—Columbia sch 14; Raleigh sch 15	29 00
Pby of Union—East Knoxville sch 2 65; New Market ch and sch 10 70; Strawberry Plains ch and sch 13 55	26 90
Pby of Yadkin—Greenboro sch 5; Mebanesville sch 3 80; Statesville sch 2 10; Salisbury ch 1 75; Oakland ch 6; Gold Hill ch 1 50; Lincoln Road ch 2	22 15
No Presbyterian connection—Winchester sch 3 75; Fredericksburgh sch 2 40; Russell Grove sch 65 cts; Morristown, Tenn, sch 8	14 80

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## BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

STATE OF THE TREASURY FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>  
AS COMPARED WITH THE SAME MONTHS OF LAST YEAR.

### RECEIPTS.

April 1870,	-	-	\$33,289.40	April 1871,	-	-	\$20,970.65
May 1870,	-	-	8,672.39	May 1871,	-	-	22,747.26
June 1870,	-	-	5,271.84	June 1871,	-	-	10,615 20
Three months 1870,	-	-	47,233.63	Three months 1871,	-	-	54,333.11

It will thus be seen that our present indebtedness, \$50,000, does not arise from diminished contributions, but from the vast enlargement of the work.

It is now widely known throughout the Church that the Board of Home Missions is greatly crippled for want of funds. It ought to excite serious and prayerful thought on the part of our churches as to the danger of permanent injury to the work. The support of the missionaries is reduced to the lowest point. Further depression will compel many laborious and faithful men to leave their fields, and thus ground already occupied will be lost.

Then again it prevents and discourages entering on new and hopeful fields. There are many places where help liberally granted for a year or two, will, under God's blessing, secure self-supporting churches, which will return many fold in the end. Let the Church procure the means to accomplish such a desirable end.

Then the vast migration of our people ought to be carefully considered, and provided for. To-day vast numbers from the older Western States are crossing the Rocky Mountains, to settle in the valleys of the great Pacific Slope. To California, and especially Oregon and Washington Territory, caravans, embracing hundreds, stimulated by the prospects and progress of

the great railroad enterprises, are hastening to secure settlements before the great advance in the price of land occurs. They, or very many of them, are from our missionary congregations, some of them officers and members of the church. They must be looked after and cared for, or they may be lost to us. If watched over and aided *now*, they will plant the seeds of large and flourishing congregations. Their children are the hope and seed of the Church in these new lands. The projected improvements have already excited the markets of these new and distant sections of the country, and thus increases the expenses of living. In some parts of Oregon, already, the ministers and missionaries feel the change, and the Board must aid them in their struggles and self-denial. They are doing all they can, and far more than they ought to be asked to do, unless more liberally sustained. These sections of the frontier are so rapidly changed by the railroad, that if we wish, as a church, to occupy these fields, there is no time for delay. At once the means should be furnished for sending out many earnest and faithful men, and for their full support; and the support more substantially of the brave men and women already there.

Consider for a moment that the Church within the last year has appropriated more than \$3,000,000 to *erection purposes*, in the way of thank-offerings, while less than \$20,000 in the same way, has gone to support and increase the number of the men who make this *Church Erection* of practical advantage. Is there not danger of forgetting the SPIRITUAL in the MATERIAL? As the cry for places to *preach in* has been largely answered, let us open our ears and stretch forth our hands to help the suffering *preachers*.

It was recommended by the Standing Committee, and adopted by the General Assembly, "that \$375,000 is the least, which, as a church, we regard as our duty to raise for the prosecution of the great work." This sum will only *maintain* the work as it is. It gives nothing to send the gospel "to the regions beyond." Are we prepared to stop *here*, and *now*? When Rome ceased to extend, Rome began to die!

\$500,000 ought to be *raised* and *expended* in sustaining and extending the work, *this present year*. Had the Board the means, many of our tried and successful pastors and preachers would enter at once on new fields, and thus greatly enlarge the numbers and influence of our beloved Church. Many young men would go at once to the frontiers. It made our hearts ache last spring to see so many educated and promising students leaving our Theological Seminaries, willing to go, to whom we could give no assurance of a reasonable and *promptly*-paid support.

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### THE WORK ON THE FRONTIER.

Since my last report, over three hundred dollars indebtedness of the church has been removed, and provision made to liquidate about as much more in a few days, which will free us entirely of debt. This indebtedness accrued through the failure of certain parties to pay the amounts subscribed by them toward our building fund.

Our congregations are increasing, averaging two hundred; and often we are unable to seat all who come. Our building will accommodate two hundred and forty.

Three persons united with us on certificate at the last communion, and one was dismissed; leaving us a total membership of sixty, fifty-five of whom have been gathered within fifteen months. Twelve were prepared to unite with us July 1st, but the day was very stormy, and only three ventured out to be received by the session.

Our Sabbath now reports an average attendance of sixty-five for last month, the highest number being seventy-six.

L—— is rapidly growing, and though only three years old, numbers four thousand inhabitants, with ten church buildings. All the buildings are substantial, all the State buildings are here, and the capital is permanent. I am laboring hard, and have more than I can do, but I am glad to report that I have a body of active, praying young people to aid me. Our prospects are very encouraging for a large and influential church. One word respecting our frontier work. People are immigrating to the State by the thousand for three months past. They have entered Nebraska at the rate of *a thousand per diem*. Hundreds of Presbyterians are among them, and hundreds more are godless—a fruitful field truly, brethren, but the laborers are few. What shall our great Church do? Within fifty miles of me to the west, twenty young men with headquarters in the saddle, might be half-supported, and find plenty of work. No minister of any denomination visits many of these localities, and appeals are made to me in person, and by letter, for preaching. I cannot leave my post here. Our District Missionary has a very wide field and cannot visit us except at long intervals. He has never made an extended exploration, and six counties at least, within sixty miles of this place, he has never seen. I am not complaining, but Nebraska is in danger of being neglected, and one hundred thousand will come to us this year.

Our ordinary church work has gone steadily forward, our Sabbath congregations have been larger than ever, so much so, that the hall where we meet has been too strait for us. But this will soon be remedied, as we shall soon have our new house of worship finished.

Work was commenced on this house the 1st of June, it is now enclosed, and is being plastered. If the Church Erection Board aid us as expected, we shall have it all completed and *paid for in ninety days* from the time the first blow was struck. And this in plodding “God forsaken” Southwest Missouri. Is that fast enough time for our Eastern friends? The house with the lot will cost two thousand five hundred dollars, six hundred or seven hundred dollars of which we expect from the Board. The remainder is mostly from our own congregation. Is not that doing well for a little Missionary Church in a frontier town of fifteen hundred inhabitants, where *three* other church buildings are now being erected, two of which have been *twelve months* in building? The energy manifested by our little church is making an excellent impression in our favor upon the community; and although we are



the youngest of *six* evangelical churches, I think we are the first in the respect of the community. A church was organized of ten members at R——, a railroad town twelve miles east of N——. The prospects of the little church are good. I have been working now *nine* months on my present year. In that nine months I have received three hundred dollars, fifty of which I have paid debts with. I have now a family of *eight* persons. You can see how utterly impossible it is for me to live on such a pittance.

Under the constant weight of care, my health is breaking down. My poor wife is already broken, my children are not decently clothed, hardly fed so as to satisfy hunger. I can endure it no longer. I shall close my labors at the end of the next quarter, unless I obtain relief.

I am sorry I cannot report any additions to our church since the last report. Four Presbyterian families have come into our bounds, who will unite with us if they determine to locate permanently. They have sought Colorado for the healthfulness of the climate. With the completion of the railroad this season, we anticipate a good many invalids besides those mentioned above. I hope gradually to get a firm hold of some of our Mexican population. I have procured Spanish Bibles for such as wanted them; some do not want Bibles, and I have distributed Spanish tracts carefully among them. They are superstitiously religious.

One Mexican, who has been reading his Bible faithfully for some time, told me he was a Protestant, and he thought that his next neighbor would become so. He also said he would sell fifty Bibles next fall among Mexicans, where the priest could not get them. He was a lieutenant in our army, and is a man of some education. I pray for his conversion, that he may work for the Master among his people. I will try him with a few Bibles. Our congregations do not vary much in numbers, but they vary in regularity, especially the farming portions.

*"For the People had a Mind to Work."*

The congregation in S—— made me a donation two weeks since, at which was realized sixty-one dollars, nearly fifty dollars of which was money. It was a great relief to me, for I had become involved for wood, hay and meat; now I can meet these bills very nicely.

The parsonage debt remains about as it did at my last report, between three and four hundred dollars. It will take a long time to pay it, unless we can receive a bonus from some source that we know not of now.

Our church has more numbers than means; but from the present prospects, our pecuniary strength is to grow less, for one of our most active members has become so involved, that he sees no way to obtain relief but by a sale of his farm. His loss would be seriously felt in our church; it was by his influence that the parsonage was started; but we trust in God. He will, if we do our duty, regard our wants. While this man, to whom I have alluded, gave our enterprise of the parsonage a start, others then took hold of it with zeal, even those out of the church took hold with energy. The people dug the cellar, drew the stone for the cellar, drew the lumber for the building, a good share of it thirty miles, and drew gravel to grade around the house. The lathing was nearly all done by the young men of the congregation in the evenings. Some evenings there were more than a dozen young men with their hammers and candles at work, and they did not relinquish their work until the last lath was nailed, and after this was done, and the mason was secured to put on the mortar, they then in turns attended him; and finally when all was ready, they, with a team, aided in moving our furniture, and we commenced to live in the house built for the pastor of the church.

*An Earnest Worker.*

In addition to my regular work, I have taken Shiloh Presbyterian church under my charge; it is five miles distant. I preach there once in two weeks, at four o'clock P.M., returning home in time for evening service. Also two other points within the field demand attention, one being one and a half miles, and the other four miles away, alternating at these points fills in all the time, thus reaching a class who never presume to attend church, but can be persuaded to go to the school house close by.

What the result of this extra labor will be, we do not presume to ask, but as by the "foolishness of preaching" some may be brought to the light, we must scatter the seed, trusting that our great Head will cause some of it to be again gathered to his glory.

We know of no better way to work the field, and supply an evident want of knowledge of the "truth that is in Jesus," and thus enable the people to contrast the doctrines of the cross with the errors of Universalism and other forms of infidelity, and "how shall they hear without a preacher."

Thus far my labors have been pleasantly and kindly received, and, although they are arduous and exhausting, I feel encouraged to continue, and, with the exception of temporary fatigue, I have never been stronger.

The pecuniary benefits thus far have not been sufficient to supply the much needed help to assist my church in paying my promised salary. Thus there is a double inducement for increased work; it extends the gospel call, and enables me to help my people to support me, with, finally, a hope that this field may the sooner become *self-sustaining*.

In April our Sabbath-school seemed to catch an inspiration with the putting forth of the *blade*, the *stalk*, and the *flowers*, and assumed a position of attracting importance encouraging to the laborers; and, as superintendent and teacher of the Bible-class, I cannot but be pleased with its liveliness. As a token, a committee of little girls had no difficulty in raising funds to purchase three dozen "Charms" and fifty copies of our excellent "Semi-monthly Sabbath-school Visitor." May God speed the "Visitor" in its noble pursuit. Besides the "Visitor" we have fifty copies of each of "Good Words," "Good Cheer," "Every Body's Paper," and the "American Messenger," giving each Sabbath to each scholar, or at least to each family, something choice, fresh, and entertaining. We deem this better for the masses than books, which are read but by few, being termed not only too dry and staid, but too often fictitious or *over-colored*. While a live paper presents more variety, and contains more *points*, with more *opportunities to stick somewhere*.

Thus I close my report, with a painful conviction of its littleness, yet with unshaken trust in Him who is worthy of our highest faith, yea, to whom all glory and dominion belongs.

I shall be obliged to ask for a renewal of my commission, which request will be forwarded through the proper channel. With humble and fervent gratitude for your support in the past, I pray that God may be to the noble efforts of the Board of Missions, as the "former and latter rain," and "crown its work with fatness." Hoping and praying and working, that by all laudable means the walls of Zion may be enlarged, her gates strengthened, and her seats be made beautiful.

Truly for Christ.

## HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN JUNE, 1871.

Rev. Lewis Thompson, Ione City ch., Cal.  
Rev. Augustus Marsh, Portland ch., Mich.  
Rev. Geo. M. Todd, Delta ch., Ohio.

Rev. Wm. McElwee, Bowling Green ch., Ohio.  
Rev. C. W. Seaman, Lebanon Ger ch., Ill.  
Rev. E. J. Stewart, Brookfield ch., Ill.



- Rev. A. A. Hugh, Limestone ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Jacob Patch, Plover and Amherst chs., Wis.  
 Rev. Edward Jamieson, Robonsonville, Belgian ch., Wis.  
 Rev. Philip Roser, Mayville, Belgian ch., Wis.  
 Rev. O. H. Elmer, Sauk Centre ch., Minn.  
 Rev. C. Dickhaut, East Williamsburg Ger ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. J. Abeel Baldwin, Woodhaven ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. C. H. Holloway, North Salem ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. Arthur Potts, Potts' Memorial ch., Morrisania, N. Y.  
 Rev. J. H. Myers, D. D. Milton ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. James Norris, Rockland 1st ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. C. H. Park, Circleville ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. Henry J. Crane, Hunter ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. M. E. Nelson, Pavilion ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. Benj. Russell, Andover ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. R. R. Sutherland, Tonawanda ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. J. M. Ballou, Clarence ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. R. L. McCune, Heuvelton ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. R. S. Rosenthal, Orange Ger ch., N. J.  
 Rev. A. H. Dashiell, Jr., Bricksburg ch., N. J.  
 Rev. P. H. Brooks, Hope ch., N. J.  
 Rev. Geo. Warrington, Glassboro' and Bunker Hill ch., N. J.  
 Rev. N. McConaughy, Elwood (Brainerd ch.), N. J.  
 Rev. Alex. C. Smith, Plains ch., Pa.  
 Rev. David Magill, Dimock and Springville chs., Pa.  
 Rev. C. M. DesIslets, Salem ch., Pa.  
 Rev. W. J. Day, Coalville and Nanticoke chs., Pa.  
 Rev. F. R. S. Hunsicker, Plumsteadville and Carversville chs., Pa.  
 Rev. Jacob B. Krewson, Forestville ch., Pa.  
 Rev. Thos. C. Anderson, Huntingdon Valley ch., Pa.  
 Rev. H. F. Mason, Springfield 1st ch., Pa.  
 Rev. J. H. Symmes, Conshohocken ch., Pa.  
 Rev. J. S. Stutchell, Hazlewood ch., Pa.  
 Rev. J. V. Cellers, Providence ch., Pa.  
 Rev. John Thomas, New Columbia ch., Pa.  
 Rev. Cochran Forbes, Upper West Nottingham ch., Pa.  
 Rev. Wm. Edgar, Somersset ch., Pa.  
 Rev. W. H. Logan, Gurley Mission ch., D. C.  
 Rev. Loyal Young, D. D., French Creek, Centreville, Walkersville and vicinity chs., W. Va.  
 Rev. John W. Little, Bellvue ch., Pa.  
 Rev. John Foy, West Carlisle and Jefferson chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. H. C. McBride, Rural Dale ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. E. P. Adams, Sandy Spring and Rome chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. J. W. Scott, D. D., Camden ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. H. Lawrence, Birmingham and Florence chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. Thos. A. Grove, New Castle and Buchanan chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. Geo. McDonald, Powhattan ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. L. C. Rutter, Jr., Caldwell ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. Wm. C. Smith, Columbiana ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. A. B. Maxwell, Leetonia ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. D. M. Stewart, Pleasant Grove, Morristown, Homer, and Carthage chs., Ind.  
 Rev. E. Muse, Centreville and Lewisville chs., Ind.  
 Rev. W. B. Chamberlain, Indianapolis 5th ch., Ind.  
 Rev. W. H. Goodison, Rensselaer ch. and vicinity, Ind.  
 Rev. W. C. McDougall, Plato chs., Ill.  
 Rev. A. S. Peck, Wyoming ch., Ill.  
 Rev. A. H. Lackey, Shannon ch., Ill.  
 Rev. A. S. Powel, Huntsville and Brooklyn chs., Ill.  
 Rev. F. C. Schwartz, Nauvoo Ger ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Ralph Harris, Liberty and Newton chs., Ill.  
 Rev. J. T. Bliss, Oquaka Junction ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Leslie Irwin, Ellington and Independence chs., Ill.  
 Rev. E. Vanorden, Chicago, Holland ch., Ill.  
 Rev. E. N. Barrett, Austin ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Wm. Barnes, Sugar Creek ch., Ill.  
 Rev. John Linan, Georgetown ch., Ill.  
 Rev. M. L. Wood, Greenfield ch., Ill.  
 Rev. M. B. Gregg, Moro ch., Ill.  
 Rev. C. B. Taylor, Mt. Carmel, Timberville chs. and vicinity, Ill.  
 Rev. E. B. Olmstead, America ch., Ill.  
 Rev. W. H. Templeton, Denmark ch., Ill.  
 Rev. S. C. Baldrige, Gilead ch., Ill.  
 Rev. E. C. Swan, Carmi ch., Ill.  
 Rev. I. N. Candee, D. D., Richview ch., Ill.  
 Rev. N. Williams, Tower Hill and Prairie Bird chs., Ill.  
 Rev. C. Loudon, Sullivan ch., Ill.  
 Rev. John Miller, New Hope ch., Ill.  
 Rev. F. W. Steffens, Beardstown Ger ch., Ill.  
 Rev. J. S. Lord, Springfield and Independence ch., Mich.  
 Rev. James Dunbar, Tekonsha ch., Mich.  
 Rev. E. F. Waldo, Tawas City and East Tawas chs., Mich.  
 Rev. Jacob Post, D. D., Milwaukee, 1st Holland ch., Wis.  
 Rev. John Paterson, Cato ch., Wis.  
 Rev. J. G. Wells, Hixton ch. and vicinity, Wis.  
 Rev. Baker Johnson, Oxford ch. and vicinity, Wis.  
 Rev. John P. Chambers, Dayton and Belville chs., Wis.  
 Rev. John U. Tschudy, Platteville, Ger. ch., Wis.  
 Rev. M. A. Fox, Oregon ch., Wis.  
 Rev. J. H. Hunter, Dundas and Forest chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. W. Hancock, Goodhue and West Florence chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. M. Brack, Sheldon and Houston chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. L. Merritt, St. Charles and Dover chs., Minn.  
 Rev. W. W. Eastman, Austin ch., Minn.  
 Rev. W. S. Holt, Claremont, Ripley, Eyota and Havana chs., Minn.  
 Rev. R. Wait, Lynd ch. and vicinity, Minn.  
 Rev. R. McQuesten, Le Sueur and Cleveland chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. Pentzer, Atalissa and Hebron chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. A. Calhoun, Kirksville and Richland chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. T. H. Hench, Fulton and Nolo chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. Graham, Clarksville ch. and vicinity, Iowa.  
 Rev. S. Jewett, Rock Creek ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Alvin Ostrom, State Centre and Starrie's Grove ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. A. R. Olney, Janesville ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. T. S. Bailey, Epworth, Peosta and Farley chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. E. F. Robb, Mount Hope ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. W. Dickey, West Union and Clermont chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Merit Harmon, Prairie ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. C. Hanna, Rossville ch. and vicinity, Iowa.  
 Rev. Jacob Baay, Lime Springs Ger. ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Jacob Conzett, Sherrill's Mound Ger. ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. S. C. McCune, Oskaloosa ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Silas Johnson, Indianola ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. John Fisher, Pella ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. Pierson, Adel and Wauke chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. G. M. Lodge, Fairfax and Blairstown chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. D. Young, Camanche ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. H. K. Hennigh, Linn Grove ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. John Arndt, Parker's Grove Ger. ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. H. L. Stanley, Wheatland ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Alex. Cardwell, Central ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. A. G. Martyn, Shellsburg ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. S. Dunning, Jefferson ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. Brown, Sac County ch. and 4 stations, Iowa.  
 Rev. W. S. Messmer, Montana ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. R. Burgess, Woodbine and Dennison chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. W. C. Galpin, West Point and Cincinnati chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. M. Monroe, Glidden and Carroll chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. R. Dodd, Macon City ch., Mo.  
 Rev. A. G. Wilcox, Birdseye Ridge and Milan ch. Mo.  
 Rev. J. T. Evans, Bevier, Welsh ch., Mo.



Rev. Thos. Gallaher, Ashley, Lead Creek and Buffalo chs., Mo.  
 Rev. J. Schwartz, Bethlehem Ger. ch., Mo.  
 Rev. A. Vander Lippe, St. Louis Ger. ch., Mo.  
 Rev. James Reed, Ebenezer and Colomo chs., Mo.  
 Rev. Wm. Reed, Grandview ch., Mo.  
 Rev. Joel Kennedy, Hamilton. N. Y. Settlement, Lincoln and Breckenridge chs., Mo.  
 Rev. J. M. Green, Easton and Cameron chs., Mo.  
 Rev. N. H. Downing, Logan and Ozark Prairie chs., Mo.  
 Rev. H. H. Kellogg, Verona, Aurora and Pierce City chs., Mo.  
 Rev. G. W. McMillan, Butler ch., Mo.  
 Rev. J. H. Clark, Warrensburg ch., Mo.  
 Rev. N. A. Rankin, Burlingame ch., Kas.  
 Rev. C. F. Mussey, Blue Rapids ch., Kas.  
 Rev. W. W. McComber, Virginia City ch., Neb.  
 Rev. Thos. Fraser, Synodical Missionary, Cal.  
 Rev. F. O. Koelle, New Orleans 2d German ch., La.  
 Rev. G. Gruber, New Orleans (Algiers) ch., La.  
 Rev. J. T. Gibson, Nashville ch., Tenn.  
 Rev. J. C. Carson, Davidson's River & Duncan's Creek chs., N. C.  
 Rev. I. De La Mater, Augusta ch., Ky.  
 Rev. G. W. Nicolls, Crittenden ch., Ky.  
 Rev. M. L. Wortman, Industry ch., Pa.  
 Rev. T. S. Leason, Mt. Tabor, Mt. Pleasant and Mill Creek chs., Pa.  
 Rev. A. McClelland, Brooklyn, Lawrence St ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. A. E. Smith, Warrensburg ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. H. P. Dunning, Lang Cliff ch., Pa.  
 Rev. D. Deruelle, Weatherly and Audenreid chs., Pa.  
 Rev. D. Hull, St. Mary's Shiloh ch., Pa.  
 Rev. McNary Forsythe, Millvale ch., Pa.  
 Rev. B. F. Myers, Mt. Paran, Quarries and Elysville chs., Md.  
 Rev. A. J. McMillan, Ravenswood and Pleasant View chs., W. Va.  
 Rev. J. G. Mason, Jonesboro ch., Tenn.  
 Rev. C. B. Lord, Eusebia and Rockford chs., Tenn.

Rev. J. B. McDonall, Cane Run and Plum Creek chs., Ky.  
 Rev. Henry Beaman, Unity, New Lexington and Oakfield chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. C. B. Downs, Homer ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. John Arthur, Oak Ridge ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. S. P. Dillon, Batavia ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. N. B. Lowes, Mason and Pisgah chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. R. E. Hawley, Cincinnati, Pilgrim ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. S. Forbes, Beach Grove ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. M. Elliot, Grafton ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. Wm. Hamilton, Presbyterian Missionary, Ohio.  
 Rev. James Bassett, Englewood ch., Ill.  
 Rev. E. R. Davis, Presbyterian Missionary, Ill.  
 Rev. J. H. Scott, Metropolis ch., Ill.  
 Rev. J. S. McClung, White Rock ch., Ill.  
 Rev. R. W. Allen, Murrayville ch., Ill.  
 Rev. A. D. Jack, Edwardsville ch., Ill.  
 Rev. S. Osinga, Unadilla, Plainfield and Stockbridge chs., Mich.  
 Rev. J. M. Pryse, Prescott ch., Wis.  
 Rev. J. Irwin Smith, La Crosse and North La Crosse chs., Wis.  
 Rev. H. W. Blair, Prairie du Sac ch., Wis.  
 Rev. S. Hazlett, Harmony and Glasgow chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. J. Ward, Wells ch. and vicinity, Minn.  
 Rev. D. C. Lyon, Synodical Missionary, Minn.  
 Rev. J. A. Hoyt, La Porte City and Big Creek chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. L. Martyn, Orford and Corinth chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. John Summers, Albion and Marietta chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Wm. Campbell, Earlham, Jefferson and De Soto chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. O. J. King, Home Prairie, Lebanon and Chequest chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. B. Smith, Seward ch. and vicinity, Neb.  
 Rev. A. F. Wood, Falls City and Salem chs., Neb.  
 Rev. S. W. Webb, Alameda ch., Cal.  
 Rev. C. Park, San Francisco, Westminster ch., Cal.  
 Rev. J. G. Dunning, San Francisco, Larkin St. ch., Cal.  
 Rev. Robert Robe, Brownville ch., Oregon.  
 Rev. F. M. Elliott, Wanaiah ch., Ind.  
 Rev. D. W. Teller, Farmingdale 1st ch., N. J.

### RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN JUNE, 1871.

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Dolphin St 1st ch Miss-sch 21; Westminster ch, Baltimore, a member for June 6. *Pby of Washington City*—New York Ave ch 217 05, of which Youth's Miss'y Soc'y 79 93; Bridge St ch, Georgetown 200, Memorial; Washington City 1st ch 62 42; Washington City 4th ch Miss'y Ass'n 75 581 47

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Williamsburg ch 2 75; 7th ch, Cincinnati, Sab-sch 140; Mt Carmel ch 17 50, of which 15, Memorial; Mason ch 6 63 166 88

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Elyria ch 28. *Pby of Mahoning*—Newton Falls ch 60; Ellsworth ch, R A Kirk 10, Memorial; Salem ch 20. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Short Creek ch 15 133 00

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Wooster*—Black Creek ch 4 15; Ontario ch 7 75; East Hopewell ch 51; Nashville ch 32. *Pby of Zanesville*—Roseville ch 8; Unity ch 4 106 90

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Concord ch 5; Millvale ch 5 96; Oak Grove ch 4. *Pby of Erie*—Warren ch 35. *Pby of Kittanning*—Rural Valley ch 22 15; Pine Run ch 25; Bethel ch 20; Jacksonville ch 10; Mahoning ch 5; Apollo ch 40; Indiana ch 214 95 387 06

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Cayuga ch, mon col 10; Auburn 2d ch 67 60, of which Sab-sch 62 50, and A Dwight Millerd 5; Aurora ch, in part 200 77. *Pby of Chemung*—Elmira 2d ch 188; Horse Heads ch, from Rev C C Carr 5. *Pby of Geneva*—Romulus ch 79 57; Hopewell ch, from N Smith 10. *Pby of Lyons*—Palmyra ch 14 50, of which Mrs Bally Durfee 10, and a balance 4 50; Lyons ch, Ladies' H M Soc'y 46 95. *Pby of Steuben*—Addison ch 16 24 638 53

SYNOD OF HARRISBURGH.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Harris-

burgh ch, Pine St 294 89; Harrisburgh 1st ch 7 73, of which S C Gilbert 5, and Miles Rock 2 73; Harrisburgh 2d ch, colored 5. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Altoona 1st ch 79 24; Logan's Valley ch 20; Waynesburg ch, "A and M B" 10; Hollidaysburg ch 23 16. *Pby of Northumberland*—Emporium ch 15 58 460 60

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Jersey ch 28; Middleport ch 10 50. *Pby of Peoria*—West Jersey ch 4 30. *Pby of Springfield*—Maroa ch 6 10 48 90

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Chicago, Holland ch 10 53. *Pby of Freeport*—Zion Ger ch 8; Scales Mound ch 3. *Pby of Ottawa*—Vienna ch 9 90 31 43

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Jerseyville 1st ch 27; New Amity ch 3 40; Plum Creek ch 3 25. *Pby of Cairo*—Bridgeport ch 6; Gilead ch 6; Wabash ch 6; Friendsville ch 6; Tamaroa ch 11. *Pby of Mattoon*—Shobonier ch 5; Darwin ch 4; York ch 6 50; Grandview ch 10 94 15

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Newtown ch, from Isaac M Coen 5 00

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Nashville, Ind 4 75; New Hope ch 10 70. *Pby of New Albany*—Charlestown ch 25; New Albany 3d ch 46 86 43

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Dubuque*—Pleasant Grove ch 5. *Pby of Fort Dodge*—Unity ch 5 10 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Jefferson ch 5; De Soto ch 33; Earlham ch 5. *Pby of Iowa*—Chariton ch Sab-sch 10. *Pby of Iowa City*—Atalissa ch 6. *Pby of Missouri River*—Beatrice ch 9; Columbus ch 2 50; Madison ch 2 50; Nebraska City 1st ch Sab-sch 15 88 00

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Highland*—Rev G F Chapin 25, Memorial. *Pby of Neosho*—Pleasanton ch, Prescott branch 3 25 *Pby of Topeka*—Lawrence 1st ch 22 50 25

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Louisville*—Caney Fork ch 10; Rev A C Dickerson 10, Memorial; Mrs A C Dickerson 10, Memorial 30 00

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Henry St. add'l 150; Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St. mon coll 37 31; Throop Ave ch, mon coll 22 88. *Pby of Nassau*—"J M H" 2; "J M H, Jr" 7 50 219 69

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Milford ch 9; Ann Arbor ch 42 60. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Schoolcraft ch 8 50. *Pby of Lansing*—Oneida ch 7 42; Grand Ledge ch 4; Delhi ch 8; Hastings ch 17 50. *Pby of Monroe*—La Salle ch 10; Ida ch 10; Rev E F Tanner 5. *Pby of Saginaw*—Linden ch 7 33; Byron ch 3; Mundy ch 6 33 143 73

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Delaware ch 2 30. *Pby of Winona*—Harmony ch 2; Glasgow ch 2 6 30

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Ozark*—Logan ch 30; Ozark Prairie ch 5. *Pby of Osage*—Osceola ch 14. *Pby of St Louis*—Fairmont ch 10; Arlington ch 3 60; Elk Prairie ch 7 69 60

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Monmouth*—Cranberry 2d ch 80; Shrewsbury ch 50. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—East Orange 1st ch 53 52. *Pby of West Jersey*—Milford ch 23 23; Cedarville 1st ch 45, Memorial; Bridgeton 1st ch 170 50, Memorial 422 25

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—Londonderry ch 23 18. *Pby of Hudson*—Washingtonville 2d ch 8; Goodwill ch 55. *Pby of North River*—Calvary ch, Newburg, add'l 34 92; Pleasant Valley ch Sab-sch 15; Cornwall ch 22. *Pby of Westchester*—West Farms ch, add'l 16; Bedford ch, from Mrs Betsey Mead 75; Potts Memorial ch, from Mrs Laughlin 50 334 10

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Brownsville ch 15. *Pby of Sacramento*—Virginia City ch 56 96 71 96

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Lackawanna*—Wilkesbarre ch 177. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Fifteenth ch, Philadelphia 31; Clinton St ch 13, of which Miss H C Ralteen 10 Memorial, Miss H C Thornton 3, Memorial. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Bristol ch 21, Memorial; Manayunk 1st ch 24 266 00

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Livermore ch Sab-sch 9 50; Cross Roads ch 23 60. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Pittsburgh 2d ch Sab-sch 30; Fairview ch 7; East Liberty ch, mon coll 10; Sixth ch, Pittsburgh 50 40; Mt Pisgah ch 23, Memorial. *Pby of Redstone*—Jefferson ch 3. *Pby of Washington*—Members of Cross Creek ch 23, Memorial; Waynesburg ch 8 197 50

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Holston*—Rev S V McCorkle 187 50

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Spring Hills ch, a balance 44

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Otsego*—East Guilford ch 10. *Pby of Syracuse*—Collamer ch 8 86. *Pby of Utica*—Martinsburg ch Sab-sch 11 29 86

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—East Hamburg ch 20. *Pby of Genesee*—Portageville ch, add'l, from five persons 28, Memorial; Corfu ch, mon coll 7; North Bergen ch 11. *Pby of Niagara*—Wilson ch Sab-sch 20 50; Niagara Falls ch 100, of which Sab-sch 50, and A H Porter 50. *Pby of Rochester*—Mt Morris ch Sab-sch 10; Sparta 1st ch 12; Rochester Brick ch, Ladies' H M Soc'y 62 50; Rochester Central ch, from F S Hunn 50; Chili ch 18 16, of which Sab-sch 7 25; Brighton ch 53 70; Ossian ch Miss'y Soc'y 2; Rev Willis C Gaylord 1; Genesee 1st ch 63 22 459 08

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Chippewa*—Galesville ch 5 85. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Lodi 1st ch 53 88, of which Sab-sch 3 88; Reedsburg ch 7 05 66 78

Total received from churches, \$5,393 41

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Israel Alexander 25; "Ferry Ministry Fund" 75; Interest "Yandis Fund" 250; Legacy, in part of Daniel Murray, dec'd, late of Indiana 62 50; Estate of D T Woodbury, dec'd, late of Columbus, O 533 33 945 83

MISCELLANEOUS.—Mrs Sarah Williamson, Chester, N J 100; W H H Coon, Bedford, Ohio 20, Memorial; "S P," Thompsonville, Pa 30; "The widow's mite," Geneva, N Y 30; J S Seymour, Auburn, N Y 30; Mrs —, New Rehoboth, Pa 1; J S Orr, New Rehoboth, Pa 6, Memorial; E W Lee, Ballston Spa, N Y 5; Mrs A W McLean, Shushan, N Y 2; Miss Mary Vance, Washington, Pa 5; "Presbyterian Memorial Fund" 2,164 52; "Segar money," a thank-offering 50; Rev Richard Cheadle, Lebanon, Oregon 5 50; Mrs S B Thomas, Elizabethtown, Ky 10; John Cowen, Elizabethtown, Ky 2; John Reed, Elizabethtown, Ky 5, Memorial; "A friend in Illinois" 689 94; S S Dobbins, Esq., Danville, Ills 140; Miss Anna V S Fisher, Kendall, N Y 15; "F B," Piqua, Ohio 5 3,275 96

Total in June, \$9,615 20

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#### CLOTHING.

1 box from Lockport 1st ch, N Y, valued at 150 00  
1 box from Syracuse 4th ch, N Y, valued at 140 00  
1 box from Penn Yan ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Canandaigua ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Albion ch, N Y, value not given.  
2 boxes from Buffalo North ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Rome ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Montrose ch, Pa, value not given.  
1 box from Westminster ch, Utica, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Calvary ch, Buffalo, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Syracuse 1st ch, N Y, valued at 280 00  
1 box from Paterson 2d ch, N J, value not given.  
2 boxes from Auburn 1st ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Brighton ch, N Y, valued at 160 50  
2 boxes from Cazenovia ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Troy 1st ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Plattsburgh ch, N Y, valued at 50 00  
1 box from Palmyra ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Mexico ch, N Y, value not given.  
1 box from Rochester Brick ch, N Y, valued at 75 00  
1 box from Rochester Central ch, N Y, value not given.  
2 boxes from Scranton 1st ch, Pa, valued at 630 00  
2 boxes from Trenton 1st ch, N J, valued at 340 37  
\$1,825 87

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

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He took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him.—LUKE xxiv.

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Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul. And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house.—DEUT. xi.

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### THE SIMPLEST AND MOST BEAUTIFUL ACT OF HOUSEHOLD WORSHIP.

The silent and invisible descent of the manna, morning by morning, in pearly grains, with the pure and nourishing flavor of fresh olive oil, covering the whole face of the earth, so that millions had enough, although soon spoiled and disappearing, was God's perfect image of his daily satisfying, and perpetual supply of the wants of his people. It was the ancient foundation and seal of the prayer put in our mouths for each day: "Give us this day our daily bread."

As straight from God we should receive each daily supply; and no act should be more heart-felt, and more impressive for good upon each hungry little one or adult member of the household, than that in which we lift our hands to bless the Father above who has remembered us again, and spread our table before us with good. This act is most childlike of all our approaches to a Father; this seems most to make us think of our home above, and of the union of all our family again within its doors; this, like a sacrament, brings back the tenderest scenes of Christ's intercourse with his disciples, and the occasions when he blessed, and brake, and said, Take, eat; this most suggests the need of our Father's strength and guidance all the day long, and all our brief life long.

Is there a picture in the world so beautiful as that child by your side, with its innocent head bowed over, the dimpled white hands folded together in such simple reverence, while you ask God's blessing on the food? How its little heart feels the influence of that act all the day, even amidst its plays. Now, shall it learn love alone, and not duty too; gratitude alone, and not pity for other hungry and needy souls? O, Christian father and mother, what a precious moment this, three times each day, to draw that little soul near to Jesus, and to have those little hands filled by Him, not alone with bread which shall satisfy its own want, but with that bread which swells in such a way that the more it is broken the more it multiplies, and the act of giving increases it, till thousands may be fed, and baskets full of fragments be borne away to strange distant homes.

To be truly profitable, the blessing upon the daily bread should embody an appropriate sentence or connected thought from God's word, and thus make sure of his acceptance and answer. Into it should be woven, with the thanks or request for what is material, a brief and pointed petition for better and greater gifts from above. The Bible is full of verses which may be easily wrought into the shapes suitable to such desires:

Our Father which art in heaven, we all wait before thee as children this morning. Bless the food which Thou hast given us. This day help us to keep



our home above in view; lead all that we love, and many that yet know not of it, to walk with us, and enjoy it for ever, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

O Lord, give us ~~this~~ day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins. And may thy will be done by us, and by all our race on earth, as it is done in heaven, for Christ's sake. Amen.

O thou who satisfiest our mouth with good, and crownest us with loving kindness and tender mercies, remember all thy covenants of grace toward us. Help us to remember thy commandments to do them, and to make known thy ways and thine acts, so that all may learn of and serve thee, we ask for our dear Saviour's sake. Amen.

Almighty God, thou openest thine hand, we are filled with good. Thou hast given us our meat in due season. May all who partake of thy bounty in nature learn of thy gifts of life and peace in Christ Jesus, and praise thee through His name. Amen.

Great God, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, we bless thee for life and health, and the food and mercies of this day. Help us to serve thee in spirit and in truth. And may all who are ignorant of thee, feel after thee and find thee, in Christ the Redeemer. Amen.

O Lord, the day is thine, even as the night is thine. As thou hast kept us through the night so mercifully, assist us this day to employ our strength, our faculties, our means of every kind, sincerely in thy service, and for the advancement of thy glory, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

O Thou who hast prepared a table before us, and restored our soul, lead us, and many blind and wandering souls with us, in the paths of righteousness, to dwell in the house of the Lord for ever, for thy name's sake. Amen.

Thus, thrice a day, as those sons and daughters gather around and stretch out their hands to you for bread, drop with it into each extended palm some precious precept or promise, which shall be stored away, a gem which future affliction and toil shall polish, to be an ornament to their life on earth, and add to their honor when they walk with the princes of the kingdom on high. Nay, it should rather be said that you drop into that hand something whose nature is vital and productive. You fill it with blessed seed, which increases, at a single crop, thirty, sixty, perhaps an hundred fold. You cannot conceive what eternal benefits to countless thousands of mankind may follow the effort to make the simple, beautiful acts of asking the blessing of God, the Father, Son, and Spirit, upon your daily food, means of real benefit to the souls of your children.

#### THE BLESSING OF A FATHER IN THE CHURCH.

Few things could more gratify those who have given their money to aid young men to study for the ministry of the gospel, than the kindly epistle which follows. It is a record of faithful and generous labor from one, who, to our knowledge, has not told in it *the half* of what he has done for the kingdom of the Redeemer. His labors with his pen; his healthful and far-reaching influence over the young; his liberal gifts and their influence in exciting others to give, and his untiring activity in every good work, are fruits which the Church and society would probably not have tasted, had not the Board of Education lent the young follower of Christ the timely help which he required.

"*Dear Brother,*— . . . In much weakness, and with many shortcomings I have been preaching the gospel for nearly thirty years. During that time this church has been my only pastoral charge. From this charge I have never been absent more than two months at a time. My health has been such that I have

rarely failed to preach on the Sabbath from one to three times; and I have often preached on week-days. Since I began to proclaim the blessed gospel I have preached three thousand three hundred and eighty times, besides delivering many addresses and lectures. This would make an average of one hundred and thirteen sermons per year.

"God has blessed me with a good and peaceful people, serious attention to the word preached, and two or three blessed revivals, with a yearly ingathering of souls. The average number received to the communion of the church on examination is twelve per annum. Yet, I have been conscious of a lack of earnestness on my own part, and on the part of the people in the work of God; and have suffered from the want of sufficient support for a large family. *Liberi* and not *libri* are the riches of many ministers.

"A number of young men have from time to time recited Latin and Greek to me privately; and I was principal of an educational institution for some years, having charge of the church at the same time.

"May the Lord bless you and the candidates connected with the Board. I think that I should never have reached the ministry had I not been aided by the Board. Yours truly."

What a joy it would be to the reader could he be the instrument of supporting this year a student for the ministry, whose record might a generation hence be such as the dear father who penned this letter.

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#### MISSIONARY EMPLOYMENT FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

In the main it is a most useful and advantageous occupation of the time of students of theology to spend their vacations in missionary work. They will be more active and capable pastors, and more sympathizing for life with all classes of men in their wants and sorrows, from all the experience they thus gain. And such a training tends to obviate the chief objection to the system of seminary instruction into which the Church has fallen. For these reasons we feel a cordial interest in it, though it does *not* afford "partial relief to the Board of Education," as our respected brethren, the secretaries of the Board of Home Missions, say in their recent Annual Report. The only pecuniary relief will occur in the shape of advantages to the students themselves, and those whom they serve.

Care should be taken to avoid drawing from distant Presbyteries young men whom they have brought up and supported as candidates. And students should not be allowed to make engagements which would extend into the time allotted to seminary duties. Some of our brethren in the ministry have made complaints as to such cases. But with proper care they need not occur; and this employment of some of the students in missionary labor during vacation, may be made truly useful to both themselves and the Church.

Our young brethren should feel confidence to consult with the Education Committee and other ministers of the Presbytery, as to suitable occupation for the summer months. Thus, often there will be suggested means of doing good which will invigorate the bodily strength, refresh the mind and heart, and supply them with some means of replenishing their wardrobe, stock of books and other wants.

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FUNDS.—Our treasury has not yet received enough to pay the debts incurred for the year which ended May 1st. Will not our friends remember the large necessities of the year, and help us liberally.



## RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN JUNE, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —Newland Mission Chapel Sab-sch 35 62. <i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 3d ch 2; Brunswick 1st ch 7 344 62	SYNOD OF MISSOURI.— <i>Pby of Ozark</i> —Ebenezer ch 8 00	
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Brown Memorial ch, Baltimore 68 52. <i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington City 4th ch 122 37; Washington City 1st 34 30 225 19	SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Springfield ch 10; Baskinridge ch 35. <i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tuckerton ch 6 85; Hamilton Square ch 13 65. <i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —East Orange 1st ch 52 49. <i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —South Amboy ch 6 25. <i>Pby of Newton</i> —Hackettstown ch 50. <i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Greenwich ch, of which 40 from Sab-sch 70 244 24	
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —First ch Greenfield 15; Concord ch 5. <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Hillsboro' ch 49 10; Loveland ch 21 15; Walnut Hills ch 38 99 129 24	SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Boston</i> —Newberryport 2d ch 7. <i>Pby of New York</i> —Covenant ch, N Y City 2-0. <i>Pby of North River</i> —Cornwall ch 12 70; Marlborough ch 10. <i>Pby of Westchester</i> —Poundridge ch 10; Bedford ch 37 25 326 95	
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Salem ch 29 50. <i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Two Ridges ch 20 65; East Liverpool ch 10 60 15	SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Chester</i> —Great Valley ch 12. <i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Tenth ch, of which from a lady 50, and from W Wilson, Esq 50, 100; West Spruce St ch, of which from Herman J Lombaert, Esq 100, Morris Patterson, Esq 25, Charles H Grant, Esq 25, and J D McCord, Esq 25, 266 95; Philadelphia 1st ch, from a member 10. <i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Doylestown and Deep Run chs 18 25 407 20	
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Keene ch 12; Apple Creek ch 30; Dalton ch 43 75; Orrville ch 3. <i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Madison ch 20 108 75	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Blairsville ch 73 55. <i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Wilkinsburgh ch 17 39; Bethany ch 55. <i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Rehoboth ch 56 70; McClellandstown ch 7 73 210 37	
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Freedom ch 4 90. <i>Pby of Butler</i> —Plain Grove ch 40; Middlesex ch 15; Muddy Creek ch 10. <i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Concord ch 8; Collinsburg ch 6 35. <i>Pby of Erie</i> —Warren ch 20. <i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Clinton ch 5; Bethel ch 10 119 25	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Mt Salem ch 2 00	
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Mifflintown and Lost Creek chs 73 95. <i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Sunbury ch 6. <i>Pby of Wellsboro'</i> —Coudersport ch 5 84 95	SYNOD OF UTICA.— <i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Binghamton North ch 17 08. <i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Fayetteville ch 27 05; Fulton 1st ch 57 28. <i>Pby of Utica</i> —Boonville ch 14 50; Sanquoit ch 6 25 122 16	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.— <i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Waynesville ch 5. <i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Lewistown ch 25. <i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Quincy, Westminster ch 7 20. <i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Williamsville ch 3 40 20	ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL FUND.	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Chicago</i> —First ch Morris 17 24; Sainte Anne ch 7 60; Chicago 2d ch 450. <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Fulton ch 7 75; Hanlet ch 9 50 492 09	Contributions sent through the Committee at New York 225 00	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —Alton 1st ch 28 40; Butler ch 5 55 33 95	REFUNDED.	
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Delphi ch 15 70; Sugar Creek ch (of which 10 from Rev R J Platt) 16. <i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch 10 50; Bluffton ch 19 50; New Lancaster ch 7 59 70	D L L 12 50	
SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Bainbridge ch 1 50	LEGACIES.	
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Rock Creek ch 2 00	Lusk Estate, Mississippi 205, less exchange 1 02 = 203 98; Patterson Estate, Pittsburgh, Pa 90 49 294 47	
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Chariton ch 5. <i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Bentonport ch 1 60	MISCELLANEOUS.	
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.— <i>Pby of Transylvania</i> —Edmonton ch 11 00	Mrs Sarah Williamson, Chester, N J 100; G Burlingame, Marietta, Ohio 5; Miss A M Gnlick, Germantown, Pa 25; A friend, Pittsburgh, Pa 20; Mary Vance, Washington, Pa 5; A lady friend, N Y 5; E W Lee, Ballston Spa, N Y 5; H M Lane, Jersey City, N J 5; F B Piqua, Ohio 5; Rev N S Lowrie, Gorham, N Y 11 72 186 72	
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Throop Ave ch, Brooklyn 20 62	Total amount acknowledged, \$3,558 82	
SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Detroit</i> —First ch, Ypsilanti 50. <i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Springfield ch 25 75 00	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.	
SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Minnesota Lake ch 3. <i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Litchfield ch 1; Kingston ch 1 5 00		

## RECEIPTS OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION FROM OCTOBER 1, 1870, TILL MAY 14, 1871.

CHICAGO 3d ch 1190 86	ILLINOIS.	WYANDOT CH 11 80	OHIO.
Wenona ch 11 50		Oxford ch 13 75	
Poland ch \$2 90	INDIANA.	Manitowoc ch \$4 85	WISCONSIN.
Bethany ch 12 10			
Jefferson ch 2 00	IOWA.		MISCELLANEOUS.
Franklin Centre ch \$7 00		Rev A L Chapin and wife \$5 00	
	MICHIGAN.	Sale of desk 25 00	
Detroit, Jefferson Ave ch \$216 92		Interest and premium on U S Bonds 136 95	
Tecumseh ch 23 20	NEW YORK.	Miss M K L, Phila 10 00	
Troy 1st ch \$54 00			REFUNDED.
Corfu ch 10 00		M L \$63 50	
Deposit ch 7 80		P M C 50 00	
Sand Lake ch 5 00			LEGACIES.
Lexington ch 5 00		Estate of W W Chester, New York City 500 00	
Angelica ch 10 00			
Lansingburgh ch 20 00		Total amount, \$1,464 33	
Oswego 1st ch 59 35		E. M. KINGSLEY, Treasurer,	
Sweden ch 8 70		Presbyterian Rooms, 30 Vesey St., N. Y. City.	
West Mendon ch 7 15			



## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICES OF MISSIONARIES.—The Rev. H. H. Spalding left Chicago on his return to the Nez Perce Mission on the 1st of July. Before this notice reaches our readers, the Rev. Henry S. Cowley, of the Presbytery of Genesee, and his wife, will have set out on their journey to the same mission.—Mr. John L. Mateer, of Henry, Ill., sailed from San Francisco, July 1st, for Shanghai, China, under appointment of the Board as superintendent of the mission printing press. Mr. Mateer is a brother of the missionary of the same name at Tungchow, who has been in charge of this press, succeeding Mr. Butler, both having been appointed by the brethren of the Ningpo and Shantung Missions, to take the provisional oversight of it after Mr. Wherry removed to Chefoo.—Mrs. House, wife of the Rev. S. R. House, M. D., of Bangkok, has arrived in this country on a visit for her health.—The Rev. John A. Annin, of Las Vegas, New Mexico, heretofore under the appointment of the Board of Home Missions, has been appointed as a missionary of the Foreign Board.—Mr. Patrick D. MacElroy, a licentiate preacher of the Presbytery of New York, has also been appointed as a missionary to New Mexico, his station to be at Albuquerque, or some other place, to be determined after his arrival at Santa Fe. Mr. MacElroy left New York with his family on this journey early in July. His knowledge of the Spanish language will enable him at once to enter on evangelistic work.

In connection with the foregoing notices, we may refer to the Rev. George McKinley's labors in New Mexico. He arrived at Santa Fe, March 17th, he and the Board having been led, by information from one of our ministers there, and from one of the Indian Agents, to believe that he could occupy a missionary station among one of the bands of the Apache Indians. It soon became evident that this measure is not yet practicable. Mr. McKinley then spent some months at the Cimarron Agency, where his services among the few settlers were highly appreciated, as we learn from others; but in view of all the circumstances of the case he was led, at the end of June, to decide on returning in a few days to his former home at Champaign, Ill. While much regretting that the way did not seem to be clear for his remaining in New Mexico, we are grateful for the valuable information and counsel which he has given concerning missionary plans and work in that part of the country. It is a difficult field of labor, and one too long neglected, but it will yet bear much precious fruit.

IN CHINA the anti-foreigner feeling still causes solicitude. The missionaries presented a memorial to the ministers of the foreign powers at Peking, which has been published in our religious newspapers. In answer to prayer, the Lord may soon remove all causes of apprehension. The work of our missions is still going on well. The Presbytery of Ningpo, at its late sessions, examined the members of the theological class, which has been taught by brethren of the Ningpo mission. These young men, eleven in number, are all candidates for the ministry under the care of the Presbytery, and they give promise of great usefulness.—Mr. McIlvaine and a young native assistant had gone to the city of Tsinan-fu, in Shangtung, where they enjoyed opportunities of making the gospel known, and thus far they have not been molested. He is anxious to be aided by the prayers of the churches in this attempt to form a missionary station in the interior.

IN INDIA the girls' orphan school has been removed from Lodiana to Dehra, for reasons of health. The baptism of two converts is reported in letters from the Lodiana Mission, both of whom had been subjected to reproach and ill-treatment for their profession of faith in Christ. They had been enabled to witness a good confession.

ADDED TO THE CHURCH.—Besides the two converts above mentioned, we have advices of the baptism of a convert from Mohammedanism at Petchaburi, Siam, and of fifteen converts from Romanism at Brotas, in Brazil.

RECEIPTS IN MAY AND JUNE.—From churches, \$20,631; from legacies, \$2,244; from individual donors, \$9,320; in all, \$32,195. Receipts in the same months last year, \$13,167—of which, from churches, \$10,458.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO JULY 14TH.—From Odanah, Lake Superior Chippewa, June 30th; Omaha, June 28th; Navajo, June 16th; San Francisco, July 5th; Yedo, May 21st; Peking, April 27th; Tsinan-fu, April 15th; Chefoo, May 5th; Ningpo, May 8th; Hangchow, May 4th; Canton, May 8th; Bangkok, April 21st; Petchaburi, March 21st; Chieng-mai, March 11th; Dehra, May 16th; Lodiana, May 16th; Oroomiah, May 9th; Abeih, June 3d; Monrovia, April 29th; Rio de Janeiro, June 9th; Sao Paulo, May 17th; Bahia, May 29th; Bogota, June 14th.

### EARLY CONSIDERATION—EARNEST ACTION.

The following paper, addressed to the Presbyteries, Pastors, and Sessions of the Presbyterian Church, we commend to the careful perusal of our Christian brethren. It is from the pen of the new Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Ellinwood, and it is published by the direction of the Board.

*Dear Brethren:*—The last General Assembly, in view of the increased demands of the foreign field, urged the raising of \$500,000 for the work of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, during the coming year. This is an advance of fifty per cent. on the receipts of last year. It is believed that the full amount can easily be reached, if each Presbytery and each church will carefully estimate its due proportion of the advance, and prayerfully resolve to increase its gifts accordingly to this great work. We beg leave to offer the following suggestions:

(1.) That *early attention* be given to this matter in the meetings of sessions, and in the monthly concerts, and other prayer-meetings of the churches. Also that the great work of missions be remembered more and more at the family altar, and in the closet. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, etc."

(2.) That at the first regular meeting of the Presbyteries, the increased demands of the work be fully discussed, and that some concerted effort be made to secure the coöperation of all the churches, especially those which have not regularly contributed to the Foreign Board hitherto. The influence of such measures, if taken early, will be much more effective than if postponed to the last Presbyterial meetings of the year.

(3.) That, so far as possible, systematic plans of raising funds for this object be adopted instead of relying upon the transient impulses of a single occasion. So vast a scheme as that of winning the nations of lost men to Christ, should lie continually upon the heart of the Church, and be kept vital by constant prayer and gifts. If pastors will preach upon the subject, and together with their sessions, will lay plans according to the best wisdom that God shall give them, the aggregate results cannot be doubtful. The people will invariably respond.

### PRAYER FOR NATIVE MISSIONARIES.

In the Tabular View of Foreign Missions in our last number, every one will observe with gratitude the greatness and variety of the missions, the number of missionaries sent out from this country, the returns of communicants, the thou-



sands of youth under Christian teaching. These are matters, not of boasting, but of thanksgiving. There are other columns which are of even deeper interest, in some respects—those which enumerate the native missionary laborers. They report eighteen ministers of the gospel, twenty-three licentiate preachers, and three hundred and seventy-eight “lay teachers and others,” such as Bible readers, catechists, &c. These infant churches, reporting three thousand five hundred and twelve communicants, have given over four hundred persons to the work of publicly making known the gospel to their own people, and over forty of these are doing so as ministers and licentiates. The relative number is even larger, as the communicants in the Persian Mission are reported, but not the native missionary laborers in that field. On the same ratio, our churches in this country ought to have about seven hundred more ministers and licentiates than are reported in the Minutes of the General Assembly. The increase of these much desired native missionaries in recent years is worthy of note. In the Missions of the Board, as they stood in 1853, but two ministers and no licentiates were reported; in 1868, the number was twelve ministers and ten licentiates; in 1871, including the transferred missions, excepting Persia, eighteen ministers and twenty-three licentiates. In 1868, the number of native ministers reported by American and European Societies, was six hundred and seventy-four, an increase of at least six-fold over the number reported in 1853.

We are encouraged, therefore, to pray for more of these native missionaries. We want many thousands of them. The work of evangelization must pass eventually into their hands, and cease to be a foreign work. Our missionary plans should be so formed as to promote both the increase in number, and the best training of these laborers. Our main means of obtaining the right men is prayer.

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#### DEATH OF DR. REVEL.

It is with great regret that we learn the death of the Rev. J. P. Revel, D.D. He departed this life at his home in Florence, Italy, on the 11th of June, in the sixty-first year of his age. He was known to many of our readers as the representative in this country on two visits, in 1853 and 1870, of the venerable Vaudois or Waldensian Synod. He was long a pastor in the Vaudois valleys, and he was an active member—for several years the president of the Table, or Vaudois Administrative and Missionary Commission, through whose agency the evangelizing work of the Synod was extended into many parts of Italy. For a number of years he was a professor in the School of Theology at Florence. He was a man of rare good sense, indefatigable zeal, beautiful simplicity, and of piety full of gentleness and all good fruits. The correspondence of our Board, in regard to its taking some part in the good work of the Synod, was conducted mainly with Dr. Revel, and all his letters breathed the same excellent spirit which gave so much interest to his addresses before the General Assembly in Philadelphia and Albany, and in many churches of our own and other denominations. Few that heard him, shortly before he left this country last year, will forget the animation with which he spoke of his Church, as waiting to send a missionary to Rome, and this he was permitted to see before he finished his course. But we must not extend this notice of our departed friend. To human view, his loss to the Waldensian Church, and to the cause of Christ in Italy, seems to be almost irreparable; but the Lord will raise up others to carry on his work. The last days of Dr. Revel were full of peace. For him to live was Christ, and to die was gain.



### MISSIONARY WORK COMPLETED.

The following letter will be read with mingled feelings of thankfulness and of regret. Its simple narrative of the missionary work among the Chippewa Indians in Michigan for thirty-two years, gives varied proofs of the blessing of God on this mission: the work here so modestly described, surely has not been in vain. Yet it is a cause of regret that the faithful and devoted services of Mr. Dougherty should not still be enjoyed by these now Christian Indians. His statement of the reasons for leaving this part of the vineyard will be read with tender sympathy, and many prayers for him and his family will be offered as they seek another place of labor, which the Lord will lead them to occupy. The church is placed under the care of the Presbytery; but it is not yet settled, we believe, what arrangements will best promote its welfare.

Mr. Dougherty's letter is addressed to the Board, under date of May 24th, 1871.

*Dear Brethren,*—To our short-sighted judgment, duty seems to direct that I should resign the field of labor to which I was assigned, and which I have been occupying for thirty-two years past. This, my first and only field of labor, was then an unbroken wilderness, inhabited by Indians alone, ignorant, debased, and superstitious; I cannot say savage, cruel, and treacherous, for we have ever found them friendly, kind, and faithful. Single-handed, some hundred miles away from the nearest settlement where any supplies could be obtained, the labor of cutting trees, building a log house where we could be comfortably sheltered, and could live and labor for the good of these poor degraded people, was a severe and protracted one. Besides the care of a school, and the instruction of the people, there was continuous labor to instruct them in the arts of civilized life, and helping them, as one after another consented to abandon the roving life, to build log-cabins for themselves. This labor devolved chiefly on the missionary until the government sent mechanics and a farmer to aid in

the civilizing of these people. The process of improvement was slow, sometimes trying and almost disheartening, and for some years without any further fruit than increased industry in enlarging and cultivating their fields, preparing more comfortable habitations for the winter, and less frequent indulgence in the use of intoxicating liquors, and a more general attendance on Sabbath meetings. Some told us the Indians would never become Christians. We still trusted the Lord would bless his own cause, and that his word would not return void. With many toils and trials, and some privations, we continued our work, and we believe that the Lord has blessed it to the salvation of a goodly number.

In the year 1843 I organized a church, embracing my wife and myself, the teacher and his wife, the blacksmith, his wife, and son, and daughter. Here in this then wilderness, on the shore of this beautiful bay, in the presence of many of these poor ignorant natives of the forest, we celebrated the memorial of the sufferings and death of the loving Saviour. Around this nucleus were gathered, during the subsequent nearly thirty years of the varied operations of the mission, the following additions: White persons, thirteen by certificate and six on confession; and one hundred and twenty-five Indians. Of this number some have been called up to the presence of the Saviour in whom they professed to trust. Some fell and were cut off. Some removed and were organized into a separate church at Bear River, under the care of Brother A. Porter. Some removed to Carpe Lake and were organized into a church there. A number removed to other reservations, and were gathered into the missions of the Methodist brethren. Several of the boys educated in our school, and received into our church, are active in trying to do good to their people, by holding meetings, and exhorting, and some went to the battle-field and gave their lives for the salvation of our country.

We feel that our labors have not been in vain, although the fruits are scattered. These thirty-two years have made many changes. I have gone far towards the end of life's labors here. I came alone, and now we are a band of ten, and one sleeps here till the Saviour calls. Our children are mostly grown, and all girls but one. In the condition of our family we find the first, and to

us the most urgent, reason why we should resign our work here. Such a large family requires a large expense for their support; and situated as we are here, there are but few openings for them to sustain themselves, so that duty to our children seems to indicate that we should not continue with them here.

A second consideration is, our people are slowly disintegrating. One after another is removing to other localities, leaving the number we can reach, small and slowly decreasing. To leave this little flock here in the wilderness, without any one to watch over and help them, is painful; and sometimes I am in painful doubt what I ought to do. Still, duty to my family seems to point me away.

Whether I can find work in the ministry seems uncertain, from the inquiry I have made. The years which have been added to my life, leave me less able, by the labor of my hands, to fully provide for our necessities. But I hope the children will find something to do that will aid in our support. Our Father still lives, and has ever been abundant in his mercy toward us. I still believe "He will not let slip one ransomed child, nor let him starve." I therefore now resign the charge of this mission to your care.

#### A PROTESTANT MOVEMENT AT KISBA, SYRIA.

*(Concluded from page 210.)*

While waiting for the action of government in settling the legal standing of the community as Protestants, Mr. S. Jessup proceeds as follows:

In the meantime I have been visited by Mr. Johnson, United States Consul General, from Beirut, and Rev. Jas. T. Dennis, missionary from Sidon. One day last week they accompanied me on a visit to the Kusa, passing through seven villages, stopping first at Kisba, where we took the people quite by surprise, as they had hardly heard of our coming before we arrived. However, they hastily gathered all the guns they could muster and fired a salute for Mr. Johnson, and then received us all in a very nicely furnished room, the same they used to receive the bishop in when they were Greeks. Mr. Yanni, our vice consul, and an active church member, was also with us. We gathered all the Protestants together, and they were

overjoyed at such a visit, and seemed to think that no village was ever so honored as to have a visit from a Consul General, a Vice Consul, and two American missionaries. We spent the little time we had to spare in trying to tell them what true religion is, and were interrupted in the midst of our conversation by the arrival of the kaimakam, or governor of the district, who, having heard that Mr. Johnson was taking a ride through his district, came with all his officials to pay the usual respects to one holding such an office. This was an additional feather in the cap of the Protestants, for the governor said then and there publicly that *he* recognized them as a sect and promised to treat them with entire impartiality. The governor insisted on a call from Mr. Johnson at his own village, which was made later in the day. He escorted our party to the village of Aba, where Mr. Yanni had prepared a sumptuous dinner for us all. The people of Kisba, to the number of a hundred, walked before us for a half-hour after we left their village, and the people of Aba met Mr. Johnson with olive branches which they scattered along the road before him. The call on the governor at his headquarters it is hoped will be productive of good results, as a better feeling will naturally exist after the exchange of such civilities. When we were at Kisba we learned that the entire village of Keferfoo (Maronites) had turned Protestant, and a majority of them had gone to-day to Tripoli to see me about the matter. We were therefore not much surprised to be overtaken on our return by a large delegation from that village, who had been following us up during the day. They met us with beseeching faces, and had even influenced the Maronite agent of Mr. Yanni's farm to intercede for them, fearing we would not receive them. They said, as we reined in our horses, "We are evangelicals—all of us, ourselves, our wives, and our children now and for ever. We beg of you don't cast us off. We will not be cast off; you must receive us, and you must give us a teacher, for we are poor ignorant people and don't know anything at all. We cannot go back without a teacher."

Our whole party were deeply affected by this scene at the conclusion of our pleasant day's ride, and we resolved to do all in our power to help them. The following day the representative men among them came here to me, and pre-



pared their official petition to the Pasha, and one of them has gone with it to Beirut, where he hopes to present it in person to the Governor General. This village, Keferfoo, is only about an hour's ride northeast of Kisba, but is in the other district, of which I spoke at the commencement of this letter, the Zaweyeh, and is governed by a bigoted Maronite kaimakam. They have been trying for two years to become Protestants, but having a lawsuit on hand, we did not see the way clear to take up their case. Last summer when I visited them, they said they would give up their lawsuit, and become Protestants without regard to it. I have been expecting to hear from them, and you see I have not been disappointed. Oppression by priests and rulers has driven them out of their old church. We have held up the freedom of the gospel before them, and have not failed to tell them of the fires of persecution they must expect to have to pass through, for this will be the first foothold of the gospel among the Maronites in northern Lebanon. The Maronite patriarch will not yield easily to this aggressive movement of the truth into what he has regarded as an impregnable position. We shall exert ourselves to the utmost to improve the opportunity. The people are very ignorant and poor, and the counterpart of Kisba, and only five persons in the village know how to read. Yet they say they will die rather than turn back. There is a great stir in all the districts adjoining Tripoli, and I shall be borne down by the pressure of work if help does not soon come. Yet I rejoice to see new doors opening, and pray that many more places may be opened to the truth. It is the Lord's work, and He will not neglect it. Nor do I believe He will allow the Church in America to fail in their duty to the work in this land.

I have recently received a second petition from Berbara, a village twenty-five miles south of Tripoli near Gherzooz, and about half way from here to Beirut. They beg very earnestly for a teacher for their children, who will also preach the gospel to them. There are but two Protestants in the town, yet all the people join together in the petition for a native helper.

In a letter dated June 3d, Mr. Jessup says: "At Kisba, the people, formerly Greeks, still stand firm, and we have an interesting school there. . . . They are

anxious to build a church, and one of them offers the land in the heart of the village, a valuable little lot, (of mulberry trees,) and all say they will work with their own hands in building, and will only require a little help from outsiders to enable them to finish it." Mr. Jessup also speaks of encouraging attention to religious truth at Keferfoo. Particulars must be omitted here for want of space. Mr. Jessup adds, "During my last tour, from which I have just returned, I examined for church membership two candidates at Berbara, two at Gherzooz, four at Hums, and two at Safita. The majority of them I hope to receive into the church this year."

#### MISSIONARY WORK AND WANTS AT SOOCHOW.

The Rev. J. M. W. Farnham, writing at Shanghai, China, February 6th, forwards some extracts from a letter of Mr. C. Schmidt, European assistant missionary at Soochow, dated February 3d, which are as follows:

If I give you an extract from Mr. Schmidt's letter, it will enable you to judge of the work at that point, and its wants.

He says, "I have only just come in from the country with Bau, (the native assistant). We spent a very pleasant day preaching in a village, and had hundreds of very attentive listeners. All received books gladly, and we were invited by them to come again. Bau talked for about two hours in a tea-shop, and I had a large audience on a high bridge next to the shop, where the Lord permitted me to talk to these simple villagers for about two hours. We had a similar opportunity last Tuesday at another village. If the weather continues fine we will make these trips every week."

Speaking of chapels, he says, "A chapel when first opened is crowded, but after a while, the curiosity of the people having been satisfied, they come no more. At Shanghai, if I am rightly informed, it is the same; but few of the passers come into the chapels. I would rather preach in a chapel than on the public road, but what are we to do? If the people will not come to us, we must go to them. We must compel them to hear us. I do not depreciate chapels;



they make first rate headquarters where those who have heard the gospel outside can come and see us, if they wish to know more about the doctrine. Another thing is, I don't expect to see great things in the city for some time to come. Like every great city all over the world, the ground is stony, and much of the seed thrown away, never to spring up. I look to the country for some fruit, if anywhere; but I am afraid to think too much about the fruit, lest I get discouraged. I try as much as possible to keep my mind fixed on the one point, viz: *preach* wherever I can. If no opportunity in the chapel, then on the streets or in the country. This, in fact, I believe every missionary ought to do, unless he is otherwise engaged with schools, or training natives for the ministry, branches of the work which I consider of first importance.

"Renting a house for the colporteurs, in the way you mention, with a room to invite inquirers into, where a nightly prayer-meeting may be held, and reading of the Scriptures, is, I believe, an excellent thing.

"I have often tried to think out some definite plan to carry on the work, but I find the best thing is to use all the means at my command. If I can get an audience in the chapel, preach to them; if not, go out and find an audience to preach to. My maxim is to take every opportunity, and keep in mind to be 'wise as a serpent and harmless as a dove.'"

Feb'y. 4th. He adds to the above, "It strikes me you may not think what I say about chapels quite to the point,

and so I add a few sentences, to show how little we can do in chapels.

"Both Mr. — and Mr. — not only keep their chapels open, but have a table near the door on the street, at which they sell books and speak to persons passing. Like every new thing, it drew crowds at first, but after a couple of weeks this excitement was over, and now hundreds pass and take no notice of it. This is our experience in Soochow, and I believe it is much the same with others elsewhere. If you refer to the biographical sketches of the most successful missionaries, from Paul to the present time, you will find that those who went about preaching were the most successful."

Mr. Farnham adds: "Soochow is one of the most important cities in this part of China, surrounded by beautiful lake and mountain scenery. It is in itself a healthy place, I believe; and certainly among these islands and mountains, there will be found many pleasant retreats for those broken down with hard work. I would commend this station to any young man who has given himself to the Lord, and is looking over the 'field' for a location. It is a wealthy and populous city, [inhabitants over 500,000,] and about sixty miles from Shanghai, with which it will soon be connected by railroad. There are boats plying daily now. It is in the midst of a rich and fertile plain, and surrounded by beautiful scenery. What more inviting field could be offered? Please present its claims to any whose location is undecided, and may the Lord speedily send us those for whom the work is waiting."

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*delphia. North*—Bristol ch, Memorial 21; Central ch, Norristown, to con Abraham Gearhart *Life Director* 100; Abington ch 14. *Pby of Westminster*—Pine Grove ch 9, Ettie, of Stateville 1, Betsy, of Stateville 54 cts = 10 54 1,504 51

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Total receipts from churches, \$7,956 26

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Total Receipts in June, 1871, \$16,419 15

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## AN INDISPENSABLE AGENCY.

The press is a power in the earth. The Church cannot dispense with its mighty agency, and if the doctrine and order of the Presbyterian Church are, as we believe them to be, the most primitive, apostolical, and scriptural, they ought to be maintained and disseminated; and if they are to be promoted, the press is an indispensable agent in the work; and our Church cannot afford to dispense with it, nor to abate the measure of its efficiency. It is, in the judgment of your Committee, preposterously unwise to reduce our own Board to the condition of a mere commercial house with a limited capital, whilst the publishing societies, which are restrained from publishing the distinctive doctrines of our system, and which get the patronage of all evangelical denominations, are sustained by large benefactions of the churches. Your Committee is profoundly convinced that an effort ought to be made to enlarge the resources of this Board, and that the Colporteur and Sabbath-school work, and its gratuitous distributions, ought to be rapidly increased.—*Action of General Assembly of 1871.*

## NOTES FROM IOWA.

An Iowa colporteur of the Board of Publication, sends us the following:

"Worn and weary on a sultry afternoon, far out on the prairie, I stopped at a house and inquired if I could get dinner for myself and travelling companion—a beautiful little mare, and a 'true blue' Presbyterian. The answer was in the affirmative, and forthwith came the oats for 'Beauty,' and sour bread and sugarless coffee for myself. While resting, I entered into conversation with the lady, and inquired if there were any Presbyterians in the neighborhood. She said there was *one* family about a mile off, that called themselves Presbyterians, and she was very glad there were no more of them.

"Then," said I, 'you don't much like the Presbyterians?'

"Like them! no. I wonder who would like them. They are just the meanest folks that ever lived; and besides, they don't know anything.'

"No; and they don't believe the Bible either," said the old gentleman.



“‘Is that so? Do you think none of them believe the Bible?’ I asked.

“‘None of them that I ever saw,’ was the reply.

“‘To what church do you belong?’ I inquired.

“‘To the Seventh Day Advent Church; and ours is the only church that obeys all the commandments.’”

“‘Well, you have said that Presbyterians do not believe the Bible. Now I am a Presbyterian, and I wish you to *prove* that what you have said is true.’

“‘Do you believe in immersion?’ he asked.

“‘I want you to prove that we don’t believe the Bible.’

“‘Your Church sprinkles infants, doesn’t it?’

“‘I want you to prove that we don’t believe the Bible.’

“‘You don’t keep the seventh day holy,’ he said.

“‘I want you to prove that we don’t believe the Bible.’

“‘Well, the Bible teaches immersion; your Church don’t believe in immersion, therefore it doesn’t believe the Bible.’

“‘Where,’ I asked, ‘does the Bible teach immersion?’

“‘Where? Why, in every place where baptism is spoken of.’

“‘Will you show me some of those passages?’

“‘He readily turned to the account of the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist, and of the eunuch by Philip, and read with animation the passages, ‘went up straightway out of the water,’ ‘and they went down both into the water.’

“‘Does the mere act of going down into the water prove immersion?’ I inquired.

“‘Of course it does,’ said he. ‘Everybody believes that.’

“‘When your minister immerses a person does *he* go down into the water?’

“‘Yes, of course.’

“‘Is he immersed?’

“‘No.’

“‘Then going “down into the water” doesn’t prove immersion. If it did, both minister and candidate would be immersed.’

“‘John immersed in the river Jordan,’ said he.

“‘The evangelist nowhere says so,’ I answered. ‘John is said to have baptized *with* water, not *in* it. His baptism was not *Christian* baptism. That was not instituted when John baptized his followers with water; and some of those baptized by him with water unto repentance, were afterward baptized in the name of the Trinity. John’s baptism not being Christian baptism, we have nothing to do with it.’

“‘Here the lady commenced reading from a work on baptism.

“‘From what are you reading?’ I asked.

“‘From one of the Lord’s prophets,’ was the reply.

“‘From what prophet?’

“‘*Mrs. White*,’ she said.

“‘You may just as well read to me from your almanac. *Mrs. White* is no prophet.’

“‘Do you believe in the everlasting punishment of the wicked?’ the man asked.

“‘Just wait a little,’ said I, ‘and let us get out of the water before we go into the fire. Have you anything more to offer on the water question?’

“‘Why, it’s of no use. You don’t believe anything,’ said he.

“‘I believe all that is said in the Bible, but not what you and Mrs. White may say. And you have failed to prove that I don’t believe the Bible; and now what about the fire?’

“‘Well,’ said he, ‘I believe that the Bible teaches that the punishment of the wicked will come to an end; that, when they are all consumed, the fire will be quenched, and they will be as if they had never been.’

“‘Here again,’ I answered, ‘you are at variance with the Bible. *You* say the fire will be quenched, but the Bible says it is unquenchable, and that the smoke of it goeth up for ever and ever.’ Here I quoted all the passages I could think of that taught the same doctrine, and then said, ‘These are the words of Him who cannot lie. Away then, with your disbelief of the Bible, and with your “prophets” that teach you to disbelieve, and talk no more of Presbyterians not believing the Bible, while you yourselves deny its teachings.’

J. S. L.”

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#### WORK IN WISCONSIN.

A colporteur, who has recently entered upon his work in a destitute portion of Wisconsin, sends us the following items from his note-book:

“I find that to cultivate the social virtues of life is no small part of a colporteur’s work. He must familiarize himself with the alphabet, or first principles of human nature. In order to gain the attention and confidence of parents he must use all the appliances within his reach; and this may generally be done very easily through the children. In many instances I have found a child—the household pet—the most direct medium through which to reach the hearts of the parents. I met a little boy on the streets of ———, and, after a pleasant conversation, asked him if he would not go home with me to see his mother. He assented, gave me his hand, and away we went. We entered the house—a pleasant home—and this little boy was all the introduction I needed to that mother’s confidence and heart.

“I called at another house where a child was sick. The mother told me that one of her loved ones had already been taken from her by death, I endeavored to improve the occasion by pointing her to the Saviour. The burden of our prayer was that these afflictions might be so sanctified to her that she could say, ‘Father, thy will be done.’ She wept without restraint, and, when I left, thanked me again and again for my visit, and invited me call again. This was not a Christian family.

“On the following day I called on a couple recently married. After introducing myself socially, I inquired if they had any religious books with which to commence housekeeping. They said they had none except a Bible. ‘Do you read it?’ I asked. The husband replied that he had no time to do so. ‘No time to read the Bible!’ I exclaimed, ‘when its truths alone can

save your soul.' He said that he never had had an opportunity to become a Christian. I inquired what offer, or what opportunity he wanted. 'O,' said he, 'I want to *attend a revival*.' I then felt that I had a pretty good text to preach from, and before I left him he promised to begin to seek Jesus at home and in his own family.

S. M. L."

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### ROSA MADIAT.

The death of Rosa Madiat will recall with interest the sufferings endured by herself and her husband for Christ's sake. In the present freedom of Italy, it is difficult to believe that so recently men and women were imprisoned as felons for having the Bible in their houses and reading it to others. Yet so it was. In Tuscany, Francisco and Rosa Madiat were thus imprisoned. When the prison doors were opened to them they took refuge in Nice, and when liberty visited Italy, returned to Florence. Francisco there died, and his wife has now followed him, trusting in Jesus, and falling asleep on March 24th of the present year. "The Letters of the Madiat," published by our Board, form an interesting memorial of these events. (Price 65 cents.)

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EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF  
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE RECORDS AND ANNUAL  
REPORT OF THE BOARD.

"Your Committee have carefully examined both the report of this Board and the brief report of the still existing Board of Church Extension, and they have been not only greatly gratified with the diligence and fidelity of the Board, but they have also been impressed with the progress of this work, and the prospect of greatly increased usefulness in the future. For while the advance made has been healthful and cheering, yet it is unquestioned, that no other department of church work in this great 'Memorial Year' has been so directly confronted by the *special* offerings of the people.

"The summary of the year's work is as follows:

"Two hundred and twenty churches in twenty-eight States and Territories, and representing more than a hundred Presbyteries, have received aid. The appropriations to these amount to \$145,292.22, showing an average of \$660 to each church, an increase upon the average of former years. The receipts of the year were \$150,299.28. Thus showing an increase, not only in the sum total over both the Boards of the preceding year, but in the number of churches contributing to this cause. But first, while we rejoice in these evidences of growing interest in this branch of the work of evangelization, so fundamental to all *permanent* success, your Committee record the conviction that the church has not yet attained a true conception of its *vast importance* and *power*, in the work of conquering the continent for Christ. Some six hundred organized churches are to-day without houses of worship. This Board is not yet able 'to devise liberal things,' whereas it ought to be a powerfully aggressive agency, arousing and stimulating the church to substantial progress everywhere—in the cities, on the prairies, along the great lines of railway, and on the far-off shores of the Pacific—securing those grants of land which are so freely offered for church purposes, by railroad and town companies.

"2d. They recommend to the Board special regard to the new and needy sections of our country, and that they discourage applications from fields, where, in the language of the report, 'in a few instances *somewhat large* grants have been made to more costly churches.' They recommend Presbyteries to make careful examinations into the actual merits of every case presented for their approval, thus recognizing their joint responsibility for the wise administration of the trust, that none but the *really feeble* shall be aided, and that the property in all cases shall be free of debt, and secured by mortgage to the full amount granted.

"Finally, your Committee would emphasize earnestly all that has been urged as to the magnitude of the needs of this Board, and the instant necessity for larger liberality toward it. No claim is stronger or clearer than this. Other things being equal, the spread of truth in pure Presbyterian form will be in proportion to the number of church edifices we shall erect for the worship of God and the preaching of his word. The church edifice is the nucleus around which the spiritual elements gather and take on permanent shape. Surely \$150,000 does not



rightly represent our denominational responsibility towards this great department of the kingdom of our Lord."

We are sorry that our space does not allow us to give the important resolutions passed by the Assembly, and the able and heart-stirring speeches made in advocacy of this important cause.

The printed Annual Report will be sent immediately to every minister and every vacant church within our bounds. Our receipts during June are only \$3,383, while our applications call for \$39,200.

#### A FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION IN MISSOURI.

"Dear Brother in the Lord,—Your letter, with check from the Board, arrived yesterday, while we were assembled in our new church, to celebrate the 4th of July. You can hardly imagine how much our joy was augmented when, on opening your letter, we found the money so much needed. We have a nice little church finished, and will now be fully paid for. This was a great day with us. Four Mission Sabbath-schools were assembled, and our house was not able to hold all the congregation. Our united praise went up to God, for all the great things He has done for our country and our beloved Church. For all His mercy we bless Him, and His people who have thus encouraged us. We hope soon to be able to help others as we have been helped."

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Carrollton ch	which 50 special
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Orrville ch	<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Slaterville ch
special	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Cross
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Emsworth ch,	Roads ch
Concord ch, special	<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Fairview ch
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Rich Hill ch	Pittsburgh 6th ch
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Perry ch	Centre ch
Licking ch	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Cross Creek ch
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Cool Spring ch	Pigeon Creek ch
Salem ch	<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —French Creek ch
Warren ch	Wheeling 3d ch
Waterford 1st ch	SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —New Castle 2d ch	Union ch
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Cherry Tree ch	Cottage Grove ch
Bethel ch	<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Hudson 1st ch
SYNOD OF GENEESE.— <i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Sparta 1st	MISCELLANEOUS.
ch	Rev L Young, W Va, Memorial
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —	David Condit, Pa, Memorial
Fulton ch	Mary J Condit, Pa, Memorial
<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Warren 1st ch	W J C Condit, Pa, Memorial
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —East St	Mrs N Shoptaugh, Ky
Louis ch	Mrs S Williamson, Chester, N J
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i>	E E W, Elyria, Ohio
—Jefferson ch	J M H
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Salem	From the Memorial Fund.
ch	For Independence, Kas
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Adel	" Golden City, Col
ch	" Harbor Creek, Pa
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Clarence ch	" Byron, Ohio
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Middletown ch	" Piola, Kas
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Long Island</i> —	" Oskaloosa, Kas
Middletown 2d ch	" Evanston, Wyoming Ter
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Brooklyn 1st ch, special	" Denver, Cal
362 49	" Vesalia
SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Southfield	" Freeport, Ill
ch	" Seward, Neb
Wing Lake ch	Mary Vance, Washington, Pa
5 75	Total for June,
	\$3,383 46
	NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.

# RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The benefits of this Fund have been enjoyed in every section of the Church; and so, also, from every quarter the contributions have flowed in. The Presbytery of Western Africa, and the two churches of Benita and Evangasimba, of the Presbytery of Corisco, have continued their annual remittance; and collections have been forwarded by churches of the freedmen of the South. The Blackbird Hills church, composed mainly of native Indians of the Omaha Mission, has remembered our cause. The deep interest shown by the children of several of the Sabbath-schools is an encouraging feature of this year's operations.

The smallest collection during the year was seventy-five cents from a church beyond the Mississippi, which in 1869 reported eight members. In forwarding this contribution, the pastor writes: "It is a small amount, but we have been building a church; but we thought we would be represented in the different Boards." When the spirit manifested by this pastor and his people pervades our whole communion, there will be everywhere princely giving.

To a much greater degree than in former years have these gifts been free-will offerings, cheerfully thrown upon the altar of God, as truly as any that have been contributed for humane or religious purposes.

Notwithstanding the state of the accounts shows that we close the year with a balance in hand of \$6,405.17, it is to be borne in mind by the church that of appropriations already made *there are Second Instalments which will become due from time to time, beginning with the first day of June, and ending with the first day of November, amounting to over \$14,000. If these payments are not promptly met, there will be much inconvenience and distress on the part of those whose main dependence is on this semi-annual supply.* In addition to this draft on our resources there will be a large number of applications to come before the Committee after the spring-meetings of the Presbyteries and the action of the several Committees on Ministerial Relief which may have been appointed. The occurrence of death or other providential events may create the necessity for granting the means of temporal support to families or individuals who now appear to be amply supplied. It will, therefore, be necessary that the good work of sending in contributions should steadily continue, without waiting for any public appeal for funds. It is hoped that the Christian people of our communion will not cease to bear this cause on their hearts and pour in their gifts with willing minds as God hath prospered them.—*Report.*

This statement in regard to the need of funds has proved to be correct. Will not those who love this cause do what they can to prevent the small working balance from being entirely exhausted?

August 1st, 1871.

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN MAY 1871—*Concluded from p. 222.*

### NEW YORK.

Hopewell Pres ch	10 00	Cuba Pres ch	8 00
Westford Pres ch	8 59	Fort Edward	2 86
Syracuse 4th Pres ch	50 00	NORTH CAROLINA.	
Albany Sprague Pres ch	2 00	Concord ch	\$1 00
Courtland Pres ch	22 00	Poplar Tent ch	1 00
Ogdensburg 1st Pres ch	20 00	OHIO.	
Johnsonville Pres ch	1 00	Perrysburgh Pres ch	\$15 00
Pittstown Pres ch	1 00	Hillsborough, from a "Widow of a deceased clergyman," Permanent Fund	5 00
Sheller Island Pres ch	10 50	Somerville Pres ch	5 00
Ellington, Rev H D Howland, Memorial Fund	10 00	Cincinnati 1st Ger Pres ch	10 00
New York City, Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, Memorial Fund	280 00	Cincinnati 2d Ger Pres ch	3 00
Ithaca 1st Pres ch	46 40	Cincinnati, A member of 7th Pres ch, Memorial Fund	5 00
Little Falls ch, A Apple, Memorial Fund	5 00	Spring Hills Pres ch	11 14
Newburgh 1st ch	75 00	Cincinnati 7th Pres ch	39 30
		Mount Auburn Pres ch	104 51

Marion Pres ch	10 00	Shaver's Creek, Miss J K Steel	1 00
Harlem Springs Pres ch	7 70	Centerville Pres ch	6 00
Cleveland Memorial Pres ch	10 00	Petroleum Centre Pres ch, Perma't Fund	266 50
Kirkersville Pres ch	2 40	Pottsville 2d Pres ch	10 00
Willoughby Pres ch	5 00	Philadelphia Presbytery "S S"	5 00
Individuals in Jersey ch, Memorial Fund	6 00	Philadelphia, Spruce st ch Sab-sch	50 40
Holmesville Pres ch	10 00	Middle Smithfield Pres ch	10 00
Shreve Pres ch	4 00	Middle Octorara Pres ch	20 00
Belleville ch	25	Centre Pres ch	10 00
Of North Field ch for Memorial Fund, Jane McConaughey 10, Belle McConaughey 5	15 00	Philadelphia, Mrs E White, Central ch, Memorial Fund	35 00
Annapolis Pres ch	7 00	Philadelphia, Mrs M A White, Central ch, Memorial Fund	15 00
Chardon Pres ch	3 00	Fairview Pres ch	7 50
ONTARIO.		Bethany Pres ch	33 00
St Catharine Pres ch	\$10 26	Concord ch, Allegheny Pby	5 00
OREGON.		Concord ch, Kittanning Pby	13 00
Jackson Co Pres ch	\$12 00	Shirland, Mrs Anna Harvison, Memorial Fund	5 00
PENNSYLVANIA.		Matthew Maclean and Jane G Maclean, of Parnassus ch, Memorial Fund	20 00
Plain Grove Pres ch	\$12 00	Cross Creek Pres ch	12 70
Wrightsville Pres ch	15 00	Pigeon Creek Pres ch	24 00
Poke Run Pres ch	15 05	WEST VIRGINIA.	
Williamsport 3d Pres ch	19 00	Wheeling 3d Pres ch	\$1 00
Claysville Pres ch	10 00	WISCONSIN.	
Harrisburg Pres ch, Memorial Fund	10 00	Cato Pres ch	\$2 25
Shamokin town Pres ch	4 55	Neenah Pres ch	23 25
Money returned	180 00	Total,	
Fairview Pres ch	13 25	\$3261 39	
Philadelphia, Mrs Thos G Biddle, of 10th ch	50 00	CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer,	
Kerrshill, A widow's mite	10 00	Office, No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.	
Philadelphia, Miss K M Linnard, of Clinton st ch	15 00		

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN JUNE 1871.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Ballston Spa, E W Lee	\$3 00	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —East Liverpool ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Bridgewater ch, Memorial Fund, John Black, Miss Lizzy Zoy, Mrs Nancy A Davidson, Miss Sallie J Davidson, Samuel Davidson, Thos Reed, each 5	30 00	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Troy 1st ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —First ch, Mrs George Brown, "a thank offering"	500 00	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Darnestown ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Middlesex ch	10 00	New York Avenue ch	54 67
Rich Hill ch	6 50	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Poundridge ch	10 00
Muddy Creek ch	9 65	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Orrville ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Williamsburg Ger ch, "A lady"	2 00	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Madison ch	33 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Gowanda ch	3 15	Brooklyn, N Y, Classon Avenue ch	87 79
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —Andrew and Farmer's Creek chs	2 00	Newark, N J, 3d ch, Memorial	25 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Sugar Creek ch	3 00	New York City 1st Pres ch	2,027 69
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Baskingridge ch	30 00	Johnstown, Pa, Miss Mary Roberts, Memorial	5 00
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Bainbridge ch	1 50	Mrs J C Brown,	5 00
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Bethel ch, Memorial Fund	20 00	Mt Pleasant, Ill, John Miller 5, Cash for Rev Wm C Rankin 1	6 00
Jacksonville ch, Memorial Fund	20 00	Lexington, Ky, 2d ch, Permanent Fund	153 00
Saltsburg ch	55 70	Warren, Pa, ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Van Wert ch	5 00	Brooklyn, N Y, Classon Ave ch, add'l	5 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Middletown 2d ch	24 20	Tenafly, N J, ch	60 31
<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Salem ch	15 00	Catasauqua, Pa, 1st ch, in part	12 47
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Mt Salem ch	3 00	Bridgeton, N J, 1st ch, in part, Memorial Fund	40 00
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Beverly ch	10 25	Washington, Pa, Mary Vance	5 00
<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Newton ch	37 39	From Committee of Memorial Fund	2,874 54
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Chester, from Mrs Sarah Williamson	100 00	Morristown, N J, Byron Sherman, Esq, of South St ch, Memorial Fund	25 00
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Ewing ch	10 00	Des Moines, Iowa, Miss Abby Burgess	5 00
Lawrence, Mrs Dr S M Hamill	20 00	"J M H," per Wm Rankin	2 00
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Waltham ch	18 50	Pittsburgh, Pa, Shady-side ch	80 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —"S S" Tenth ch, Wm Wilson, Esq	50 00	Mansfield, N J, 1st ch	75 00
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Lewistown ch	31 13	Pleasant Grove, N J, ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —West Elizabeth ch	6 00	Golden City, Colorado, "S S"	2 20
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Sparta 1st ch	8 00	Elizabeth, N J, Westminster ch	105 00
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —West Middlesex ch	18 00	Interest on Permanent Fund	145 88
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Litchfield and Kingston chs	2 00	Total receipts in June	
		6,964 52	

As the General Assembly has directed that the receipts be published in the order of Synodical and Presbyterian arrangement, the contributing churches are earnestly requested to state to what Presbytery and Synod they belong.

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## GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

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SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1.—*Concluded.*

**SABBATH-SCHOOLS.**—Connected with the work of the Committee last year have been eighty-two Sabbath-schools, in which have been six thousand two hundred and twenty scholars.

**DAY-SCHOOLS.**—For the double purpose of making its schools strictly *parochial*, and of liquidating within the year, if possible, the heavy indebtedness found upon the work committed to its care, the Committee largely reduced this department, retaining forty-five schools and fifty-eight teachers, who have given instruction to four thousand five hundred and thirty pupils during the year. These teachers have continued to give not intellectual culture alone, but *religious* as well; and the specially encouraging interest of both parents and children in these schools seems unabated.

**FUNDS.**—\$60,307.72 have been contributed by churches and individuals, (white and colored) which is \$110 less than was received from the same source in the previous year, while the number of white churches contributing is sixty-four more this year than last. From all sources there has been received \$76,966.54, a sum by no means sufficient to liquidate the indebtedness and meet the current expenses of the work, which, with all its encouraging success, is still much embarrassed from lack of sufficient funds.

## OBITUARY.

**DIED**—May 10th, at Glenn's Springs, S. C., REV. J. H. BATES, Superintendent of Wallingford Academy and Charleston, S. C., Mission. He had long suffered from chronic disease, and but a week before, attended only by a colored boy, had left Charleston and repaired to these Springs in hope of relief. But a journey of several hundred miles proved too much for his failing strength, and at the week's end, far from home and friends, and unknown to any save his colored attendant, he died and was buried among strangers. He was a missionary whose whole heart seemed to be in his work, and we think the instances rare, where so much labor, both of mind and body, has been performed under so much physical suffering. But he *rests* now, and, as we confidently trust, in Heaven.

Extracts from the REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE presented by its chairman, Ex-Governor Pollock, and unanimously adopted by the General Assembly at its late meeting in Chicago.

*To the Moderator of the General Assembly:*

The Committee on "Missions for Freedmen" report:

That they have carefully examined the Report of the Committee of Missions for Freedmen of the Presbyterian Church, presented to the General Assembly and referred to your Committee, with all the papers relating thereto, and do most cordially approve the manner and spirit in which the Committee has discharged its duties, and recommend that their report be printed for distribution.

We recommend earnestly the continuance of the Committee for another year. Every consideration of public and private interest in relation to the work and spread of the gospel among the Freedmen requires such continuance. The unsettled condition of things in the South—the peculiar nature of the work—the qualifications and experience of those engaged in it—the knowledge of the Committee—their earnestness and zeal demand that no change be made for the present in this department of the work of our Church.

The Committee regret to find that the work among the Freedmen has not been sustained in a manner at all commensurate with its importance.

We urgently commend the Committee of Missions for Freedmen, their work and institutions, to the prompt and large liberality of all our churches and people, and the coöperation of all our Boards. We ask them to devise liberal things; to execute and perform promptly whatever their hands and hearts find to do, and by their generous contributions and earnest prayers bid them God-speed in the good work, and hasten the day when "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge and glory of the Lord," with whom "there is no respect of persons," and before whom all are equal.

#### DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN JUNE, 1871.

Freedom Plains ch, Pres of North River	\$19 00
North ch, Iowa City	15 00
Calvary ch, Presby of North River	19 26
East Liverpool ch, Presby of Steubenville	10 00
Second ch, Chicago, Ill	417 71
Johnstown ch, Presby of Blairsville	29 00
Sab-sch West Spruce St ch, Philadelphia, Pa	30 00
Huntingdon Valley ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North	11 00
West Galway ch, Pres of Albany	7 00
Howard St ch, Presby of San Francisco	1 00
Mrs Ralston, 2d ch Philadelphia, Presby of Philadelphia	10 00
Central Windham ch, N Y, Presby of Columbia	8 00
Rock ch, Presby of New Castle	5 00
Zion ch, Presby of New Castle	5 00
First ch, Ogdensburg, Pres of St Lawrence	20 00
Centre ch, Presby of Carlisle	7 00
Philipsburgh ch, N J	10 00
Daretown ch, N J	20 00
First ch, Owego, N Y	30 00
Ch and Soc of Londonderry, N H	6 68
Third ch Troy, Presby of Troy	2 00
Bainbridge ch, Presby of Indianapolis	1 50
First ch Van Wert, Presby of Lima	3 00
Sab-sch 1st ch Mt Morris, N Y	20 00
Mrs Sarah Williamson, Chester, N J	100 00
Millville ch, N J, Presby of West Jersey	7 44
A friend to the blacks, Philadelphia, Pa	5 00
Mrs Nancy Kennedy, of Bridgewater ch, Presby of Allegheny, Memorial	5 00
Mrs Mary Moorhead, of Bridgewater ch, Presby of Allegheny, Memorial	5 00
Mrs H S Fitch, of Bridgewater ch, Presby of Allegheny, Memorial	5 00
Louisburg sch, Presby of Yadkin	5 80
Cranford ch, Presby of Elizabeth	2 00
Ross St ch, Presby of Brooklyn	35 36
Poughkeepsie Sab-sch, Presby of Hudson, Memorial	50 00
Parsippany ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	2 00
Dun Ellen ch, Presby of Elizabeth	5 00
Poundridge ch, Presby of West Chester	10 00
Mt Salem ch, Presby of Maumee	2 00
Throop Ave ch, Presby of Brooklyn	8 25
Asbury ch, Presby of Newton	1 00
Col Thos Laughlin, Indiana, Pa, Memorial	100 00
Indiana ch, Presby of Saltsburg, Memorial	77 05
Greenville ch, Presby of Clarion	13 50
Freedmen's Aid Soc of Columbus, Chenango Co, N Y, per Mrs E G Bickford	5 00
Warren ch, Pa	20 00
A member of 7th ch Philadelphia, Pa, Memorial	100 00
Slaterville ch, Presby of Westminster	13 50
Colored sch at McEwensville, Pa, special, for students at Midway, Ga	10 00
First ch Elizabeth, N J	39 22
Smicksburg ch, Presby of Kittanning	5 00
Rev John R Agnew, Jefferson City, Mo, special for Scotia Seminary	10 00
Muddy Creek ch, Presby of Butler	4 58
J P Coulter, Farmington, Ill, for student at Biddle Institute	20 00
Mrs David Martin, Pittsburgh, Ind	3 00
Orrville ch, Presby of Wooster	3 00
Murray Hill ch, New York	45 00
West Elizabeth ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	4 00

Bristol ch, Presby of Philadelphia, North, Memorial	12 00
Memorial Fund, per Dr Ellinwood for Scotia Seminary	200 00
Theo Fenn, 1st ch Harrisburgh, Pa, for Biddle Institute	10 00
Miss Annie Miller, 1st ch Harrisburgh, Pa	3 00
Miss Kean, 1st ch Harrisburgh, Pa	50
	<hr/> \$1,645 35

#### Money received and expended in the Field.

Pby of Atlantic—Wallingford Academy	41 05
Andrews ch 1 50; Salem ch 4 25; St Paul ch 2 50; Knox Plantation sch 1 90	51 25
Pby of Catawba—Charlotte sch 11 26; Scotia Seminary 1 10	12 35
Pby of Fairfield—Winnsboro' sch 3; Tabor ch 10	13 00
Pby of Holston—Greeneville sch 4 15; New Market (St Luke's) ch 2 25; Strawberry Plains (Calvary) ch and sch 8; East Knoxville ch 1 30	15 70
Pby of Knox—Atlanta ch 32 65; Dalton ch 5; Williams sch 9 50	47 15
Pby of Louisville—Louisville ch	17 55
Pby of Nashville—Columbia sch	11 50
Pby of Yadkin—Statesville sch 1 40; Salisbury ch 1 15; Gold Hill ch 3 50; Oakland ch 3; Lincoln Road ch 75 cents; Lexington ch 5; Greensboro ch and sch 19; Mebanesville ch and sch 2 50; Mocksville ch 1 50; Mt Vernon ch 1 1; Mt Zion 1; Seranton Mission 75 cents	40 55
No Presbyterial connection—Russell Grove, Va sch 65 cents; Winchester, Va, sch 2; Fredericksburg, Va, sch 3; Morris-town, Va, sch 1	6 65
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JAMES ALLISON, *Treasurer*,  
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Rev Luke Dorland, of Concord, N C, acknowledges the receipt of \$100, from W H Scott, Esq, New York, for Scotia Seminary.

Rev A S Billingsley, Statesville, N C, acknowledges the receipt of a box containing a set of communion ware, together with some Hymn and Sabbath-school books, from the Presbyterian church, Troy, Pa.

Valuable boxes of clothing have been received as follows:

1 from the Ladies' Society of 1st Pres ch, Cleveland, Ohio.

1 from the Pres ch Lawrenceville, Pa.

1 from the Pres ch, Birmingham, Pa. The latter accompanied by four dollars in money.

Rev E J Adams, Charleston, S C, acknowledges the receipt of a Sabbath-school library of 100 volumes, and 100 copies of The Child's Paper per month, for one year, from the Fourteenth St Pres ch, New York. And

Miss M Higgins, Maryville, Tenn, \$50 from Hon Mrs Beers, of Ithaca, N Y, for religious reading for the poor.

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## BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

### NOTICE.

The last General Assembly adopted, among others, the following recommendation, namely :—

“That as the rate of expenditure is measurably uniform throughout the year, no one month be designated for the taking up of collections for this cause; but that each church designate for itself the month that will bring most to the Treasury of the Board; and in no case fail of an annual contribution.”

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### A DAY AMONG OUR FRIENDS.

We propose to invite the readers of the *Record* to spend the day with us among our correspondents; and as the Presbyterian House in New York is not ready for us, we can only invite them to 30 Vesey Street, “over a wholesale tea store.”

We begin to open our pile of letters, and the first subject that presents itself is,

#### I. FARMING AND PREACHING.

One missionary writes :

“My health is breaking down under my severe labors, my salary is inadequate, my family is growing, what shall I do? To supplement my salary by teaching would only add to my burdens. I need more out-door exercise. What do you think of my going West to locate a piece of land, make a home for myself and family, and *relieve the Board* of any further care of us? Having been a soldier in the late war, I can easily secure the land if I will go and live on it. What do you think?”

Another says :

“I have made a homestead and built a cabin on it, which I consider the best *life insurance*.”

In itself considered, a farm is a good thing to have, and we wish every missionary had one. Why should he not have such a place for his little children to play and his elder ones to work on? a safe retreat and sure support for himself when



infirmities and old age come upon him? So many have said, and acted accordingly.

But our people incline to settle about, or make a town or centre, where the church edifice, the post-office, the stores and shops are near at hand. The minister, if he *pre-empt*s a farm, must of necessity live one side. He and his family are not easily accessible; strangers cannot readily make their acquaintance, and he soon loses control of his people. Soon they propose to have a change, and the farmer is left on his farm, and the preacher has no congregation.

But the preacher says he gives all his time to the ministry; *his boys* carry on the farm! But does not he do the planning? In the lack of laborers, as in haying and harvesting, is he not in the field? On the Sabbath he comes into the pulpit weary and dull, and preaches to hearers weary and dull, but not *so* dull that they cannot carry on a process of reasoning like the following: "*Our minister has one of the best farms in town; he has been at work in the fields all the week as we have, now he expects us to pay him for his work to-day. How much does he get from the Home Missionary Board; we wish somebody would give us three or four hundred dollars a year, it would help us amazingly.*" Do you wonder the church does not prosper, the people do not give liberally, and that they want a new pastor?

When that time comes, the old pastor cannot move to a new field; his farm, his cattle, his orchards all tie him down. He is ready to supply a vacant church fifteen miles out on this railway, and twenty-five on that; going out Saturday evening, and often returning very early Monday morning.

Farming and preaching has not been found a success—it does not bear the test of experience. The good farmer is seldom a good preacher, and the good preacher is seldom a good farmer. We wish it were not so. We wish every good minister could have a good farm. But we are fast verging to the conclusion that some other missionary organizations have arrived at, namely: that it is inexpedient to give missionary aid to any minister who has any other calling, or who does not reside within the bounds of his congregation. Are we right or wrong?

## II. COLONIES.

We open other letters and read from one written in the Southwest as follows:

"I have for years entertained the thought of planting Presbyterian colonies as a missionary enterprise. And now, when the star of empire tends so strongly Westward, I am persuaded that this tendency ought to be made available for good. My plan would be something like the following, viz: I should first select the most eligible site possible for the colony, when homesteads and railroad lands were still to be had on good terms, and where the general prospects of the country were promising for the future; make the best arrangement possible with the railroads for the transportation of person and property, and then start out to collect colonists.

"1st. Much valuable information would be afforded, without cost, to thousands, who desire to come West, but who are not able to make a personal exploration of the country, and a judicious selection of a home for themselves.

"2d. At present there are vast multitudes of persons leaving the bosom of Eastern churches and coming West, without letters, and many of them without plan, and are entirely lost to the church and the world. But by the arrangement proposed, Christians would come in bodies, and at once enjoy the blessings of society, schools, and churches.

"3d. There would be an immense saving in the way of expense. Most of the churches planted by the Boards of the Church are supported, to a greater or less extent, from five to twenty years before they become self-supporting. By the arrangement proposed, the church might be made self-sustaining in a comparatively short period, and at a very small expense.

"Assuming that these conclusions are correct, it appears to me obvious that the Board of Missions might introduce this colony plan with great advantage."

Another writer, this time from the Northwest, says :

"Some years ago I went over part of the route of the North Pacific Railroad, and regarded it as one of the most beautiful and promising portions of our country in which to make homes and to build up Christian institutions, especially for the Northern races. Since the North Pacific Railroad was projected, I have frequently thought of a colonization scheme to dot that vast and beautiful region with Christian churches. But the people best adapted to the climate, and with noble physical and mental powers, to found States and Christian institutions, are the Scotch people, Presbyterian, of course.

"It has often been to me a source of pain, that so many of the Scotch people have been induced to settle in Australia and in the Canadas, where they have, in the latter provinces especially, to contend with a stubborn soil and a very severe climate; and are kept for years in comparative poverty, their energies cramped, and their aspirations suppressed. And I have often hoped that some emigration scheme would be organized by the friends of those noble Northern people, and the Christian men who are capable of taking something like broad views of the method of extending the Redeemer's kingdom, and concentrating forces for future conquest; and that the tide of Scottish emigration might be directed to some of the fair portions of our Western States.

"Knowing, as I do, the country and its unbounded, undeveloped resources, I can see how many strong churches might thus be rebuilt, and with but little missionary aid.

"In that fertile region extending for hundreds of miles east and west, north and south, which will yet be the home of millions, the glorious reunited Church, as from a new baptism, with a policy grasping the ages and taking in future States, should erect Christ's banner, and rally to it the descendants of those heroic people, who, in a less favored age, gave so many martyrs to the cause of truth, and so nobly championed a pure strong Protestantism in opposition to the tyranny of priestcraft.

"From that source alone you have the element of many churches. To organize such a Christ-honoring scheme and push it to successful issues, would be enough to satisfy the loftiest ambition. I know not how a Christian man could, to better advantage, expend his life."

All true, and well put. Now is the time to organize colonies. They are popular. They are going into Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska. And yet, is there no "other side?" Are there no drawbacks? Colonies of this kind are not new. They have been tried before, and some of them have *failed*. It is not easy to gather up one hundred families, strangers to each other, and locate them all in the same neighborhood, and be sure that all will go smoothly. Sometimes the managers are grasping, and the people are unreasonable. They cannot all be located near the church and the school, and some will seem to others to have obtained an undue advantage over them, and hence alienations and strife spring up.

The truth is, our people love to do as they please. They like to have their own way, even if it is not as good as another. Every man thinks himself as good as his neighbor, if not better! Before the Pacific Railroad was built, and people went across the plains in companies, though they knew if they broke away, it was at the risk of losing their scalps, the spirit of independence was such that they would split up into small bands, and perhaps all perish at the hands of the Indians. Colonies, if they succeed, are a great success. But the forces of human nature must never be overlooked in human calculations. Blessings on the man who succeeds. This is a free country, and our brethren are free to do as they please. But the Board of Home Missions does not yet see its way clear to embark in the business.

But it is time to open another letter. Let us now hear from

### III. THE VETERAN CORPS.

"Perhaps the best report I can make is to say, that on the day before I received your commission, I preached at eight o'clock in the morning at New G——; rode

four miles and preached at B—— at ten o'clock; drove three miles and preached at A—— at one o'clock; drove ten miles and preached in I—— at four P. M.; then drove two miles and preached at R—— at half-past seven o'clock P. M. I also preached on the Saturday evening previous at half-past eight o'clock, making six sermons in the twenty-four consecutive hours. Now I have to ride seventeen miles to preach this evening, drive three miles and preach at New G—— at half-past eight o'clock to-morrow morning, drive four miles and preach at B—— at half-past ten o'clock; drive thirteen miles and preach at I—— at three o'clock, and at R—— in the evening. You may say this is severe work. I say no, the preaching is not, and the studying is not. To preach three times every day and have nothing else to do would be recreation to me. Two horses could not do my riding, and so I had to get the third. I am sixty-two years of age, and weigh two hundred and sixty pounds."

### *Fresh Harvests from Old Fields.*

Another veteran, but from the State of New York, writes:

"I have not failed to meet my appointments *every Sabbath* during the year. I have also been with that people by thirteen week-day evening or afternoon services, and have made one hundred and three pastoral visits with fifty-one different families. The church when I commenced with it had fourteen members, twenty-seven have been added, four by letter, and twenty-three by profession. We have got a new hymn book, and have a good choir of singers. The Sabbath-school which had died out has been reorganized, and now numbers over sixty members, and is prosperous. We have begun the erection of ten horse-sheds (none have before been built). I shall probably engage to supply that church another year, and I think they will be able to raise from fifty to one hundred dollars more than they did last year. If our young men stay with us we shall soon be self-sustaining. My labors would be very hard for a younger man. I am sixty-two years of age, preach three sermons on the Sabbath, attend two Sabbath-schools as a Bible-class teacher in both, and a choir rehearsal, and travel twelve miles, which makes a busy day; but *I never have a fashionable blue Monday*; have had no vacation in thirty-two years of my ministry; have always been independently poor, and have enjoyed it; and am the youngest man of my age in the State."

Good for the fathers! may their "bow long abide in strength." What would our young men, who can only preach one sermon a Sabbath, say to that? But they are not all of that sort, as this next letter shows. If you would know how a man can meet his fate like a man, and bear his trials bravely, hear what this letter from Wisconsin says.

### *A Young Soldier.*

"I sometimes wonder, as I sit down to 'report,' if the Secretaries of the Board really care to know all the discouragements of every mission field under their charge. I wonder also if a great deal of the unhappy experience usually reported under the head of 'missionary hardships' isn't common to humanity; I wonder if anybody isn't liable to be sick, or his wife to be ill, or his horse to die, or his crops to fail, or to meet with rivalry in business and come home heart-sick once in a while, or to see the labor of years swept away by some mysterious providence, or to be thrown back to the starting point occasionally by some unforeseen event.

"Do you really care to know that we are soon to be turned, bag and baggage, into the street, out of the old bar-room of the abandoned hotel in which we have been worshipping? and that our exploring *doves* have as yet found no Ararat? and that we may, if it comes to the worst, (?) have to resort to a street corner and a store box? Do you really care to know that we must build or die; and that I have spent the greater part of the last quarter in pushing a 'subscription paper' for our edifice. I think I have charged batteries loaded with grape and cannister with less reluctance than that which I have been compelled to overcome in this subscription business. *Somebody* must do it, and he went West, so his mantle fell on me—a stranger in a strange land. It would probably amuse you to see deponent thrust the above paper defiantly, at arm's length, in the face of the public. The result of said thrusting is two thousand dollars, with the prospect



of another thousand here at home. We have a congregation numbering about seventy-five—Sabbath-school sixty. I had the privilege of baptizing *twelve* children in the old bar-room on the last Sabbath of the quarter."

#### IV. ON SALARIES.

##### (1.) *Hear another Veteran from Iowa.*

"It has all along been my opinion that the resolution of the General Assembly to raise every missionary's salary to eight hundred dollars would create expectations that would not be realized, and induce applications for larger appropriations than the churches would enable you to make. That, with the complaint about the large surplus last year, did more to embarrass the Board than the Memorial effort. For my own part, I would have been glad any year for the last thirty-five years to have been assured of six hundred dollars. In larger towns eight or ten hundred dollars may be needed, but in country places and small villages families can live pretty comfortably on five or six hundred dollars."

##### (2.) *On "Cutting Down."—A Protest.*

But another writes from Iowa :

"Your commission came to hand a day or two since. We thus acknowledge its receipt, but take occasion to express our disappointment and regret that the Board saw fit to 'cut down' our application one hundred dollars. We feel this the more deeply because the application was made in good faith, and the amount specified the lowest amount that we then thought, and now think that we could get along with; and the Presbytery having sifted the facts, and as far as we could judge, appreciated the necessities of the case, fully endorsed the whole extent of said application. We regret it on another account: this church has been trying to sustain itself without help, but by a frequent unhappy change of ministers and members, and for other causes, became involved in debt, which the present members have exhausted themselves in paying. Although I knew it would require a great sacrifice in this expensive place, yet for the church's sake, I consented to drop two hundred dollars of my salary for this year, and continue my labors, provided they got three hundred dollars from the Board, as they said they could not raise more than seven hundred dollars the present year. Thus the process of 'cutting down' involves me in one of three alternatives: of sacrificing three hundred dollars, or of abandoning the field, or of resorting to some secular employment to supplement my family living. I tell you this thing of cutting down *some* applications is a shabby, impolitic business. It chills in every instance where an honest application is made. It discourages churches. It drives some of your missionaries from their fields. It sends others to some secular business, and thus body, soul, and spirit become secularized. It is educating ministers and churches into the chicanery of asking more money than they actually want, knowing that the cutting down process will bring it about right. I am not drawing on my imagination for my facts. I can prove what I say. I have been on these prairies thirty-two years."

Too true, as the following (3) *acknowledgment of dishonesty* proves:

"Your letter, informing me of the amount I am to receive, was received. We missed the mark this time in not asking a little more than we wanted. We have often done this and then got just the amount we thought necessary."

Some men can live more cheaply than others. Some salaries are so small that the Board are surprised, and wonder how a man with his family can subsist on such an amount.

As to "*cutting down*," it is a sad business. Nothing but sheer necessity makes us do it. Our hearts bleed over it, and no missionary's salary would be cut down by us if we could avoid it. But what can we do? We have demands for more money than the churches furnish. What remains for us then, but to make as wise and equitable a distribution as possible? Wherever we have done injustice to any one, we stand ready to rectify the mistake. But until the churches increase our funds, it is impossible altogether to avoid "*cutting down*" salaries.

But what shall be said of asking more than is needed in the expectation of being "cut down?" It is indeed an act of "chicanery;" it is a dishonesty, a fraud! Nothing of late has shocked us like the reading of the above flippant letter. It is a wonderful confession, and a terrible exposure!

Let it become apparent to the friends of Home Missions that the churches are asking more than they need, resorting to a trick to get an advantage over others. Let it become apparent to the Board itself, that the churches and the ministers and the Presbyteries they are dealing with are not honest men; that they solemnly affirm what they know is not true, when they say, "The least possible amount that will suffice from your Board is \$—," when they know better. What then would become of Home Missions? We cannot collect money in the face of such a doubt. We could not stand up before any congregation and try to awaken the sympathies of the people, the poor, the widows, the servant girls and hired men, knowing that this reprehensible trickery is employed to obtain help.

Every missionary church, every honest minister and Presbytery, has an interest in *stamping out* this nefarious and wicked attempt at fraud. There should be equality—there must be equality in the distribution of funds, or the Home Missionary work is at an end. No honest man can connive at such a practice. To vote for, or be silent, when such a measure is passed in Presbytery, is to become partaker of the crime.

We believe there are honest Presbyteries, and honest men in them all. We believe Presbyterial Committees when they say, "We have carefully examined these applications: we think the statements they contain are true, and the amounts asked for are the least that will suffice." But when the churches begin to doubt such statements, the fountains of Home Missionary supplies *will* be suddenly dried up. Let honest men and Christians frown on every such trick, and refuse to recommend to the Board for aid *any church* or minister guilty of resorting to it, and the mischief will soon be abated.

But it is time to leave this unpleasant subject. Let us look at

#### V. THE GERMAN PROBLEM.

One man, wise in the missionary work among the Germans, being asked, what is the best way to bring our German population into sympathy with American churches and American institutions, replied: "*Bring them round on a broad curve.*" German people who do not speak English must have the gospel preached to them in the German language. The most of our German preachers cannot preach in English. And, therefore, I fear many of them keep up German schools in order to keep the children under their control. But some of the wisest of our Americanized Germans, I think we may say nearly all of them, agree with the writer of the letter below. Indeed, there is perhaps a growing conviction that when we keep up religious services in German exclusively, that it is a waste of effort, and oftentimes quite useless. There is also a growing apprehension that we are sustaining some German churches that are not needed, because so large a proportion of them can speak English, and might at once be incorporated into churches using our own language exclusively. We need light on that subject. The letter below is from an able and accomplished missionary in Wisconsin, who preaches in English, German, and Hollandish. Many others agree with his views. Let us hear from them and others. The letter is as follows:

"*Dear Brother,*—I am very happy to say that our prospects are bright, and that we thus far have succeeded in getting another and still better edifice than before. Within two or three months we hope to worship in a brick church, (much larger

than the former, which was built of wood,) and thus not so liable to be destroyed by fire.

"My English congregation is steadily increasing, and is the hope for the future. Among the thousands of foreigners in this city, nothing is more needful than to build up English congregations from the youth of our foreign population. Most of these children born in this country prefer the English language, and it is the greatest folly to counteract this desire.

"The parents brought freedom and prosperity on this side of the Atlantic, and it is my doctrine that they, as well as their offspring, should value and appreciate the laws and the customs of their adopted fatherland.

"My experience for the last eighteen or twenty years has taught me to pursue this course, and would to God that all our foreign brethren in the ministry would regard it in the same light, as many more churches could be added to the faith of our fathers."

Here we pause for the present. What do our friends say to all these topics?

### MISSIONARY BOXES.

Benevolent ladies in many of our churches are offering to supply boxes of clothing for missionary families that may need such aid. The missionaries who desire it are requested to forward to the Secretaries, without delay, a statement of their wants in this regard—give the age and *name* of every child in the family, the address of the box to reach them most speedily, and any other important particulars bearing on the case.

### HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN JULY, 1871.

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| Rev. L. E. Richards, Head of Delaware ch., N. Y.                 | Rev. E. F. Tanner, La Salle and Ida chs., Mich.                    |
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| Rev. G. H. Humphrey, Frostburg ch., Md.                          | Rev. S. W. Elliott, Woodburn, Liberty and Russell St'n chs., Iowa. |
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## RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN JULY, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Champlain*—Keesville ch 26 74. *Pby of Troy*—Coloos ch 45

\$71 74

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Brown Memorial ch 400; Baltimore 1st ch 1072, Memorial; Westminster ch, Baltimore, a member for July 6. *Pby of Washington City*—Alexandria 1st ch 30 15; Bridge St ch, Georgetown 100, add'l, Memorial; Washington North ch 8

1,616 15

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Wilkesville ch 21; New Plymouth ch 10; Bucks Creek ch, special Memorial coll 94. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Cincinnati 6th ch 20 41; Walnut Hills 1st ch 47 39. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Feesburg ch 7

199 80

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Rev Win F Milliken 16 70. *Pby of Steubenville*—East Liverpool ch 15; Centre ch 3 25; Annapolis ch 17; Richmond ch 18 50; Still Fork ch 8 40 78 85

SYNOD OF COLORADO.—*Pby of Colorado*—Black Hawk ch

10 00

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Wooster*—Orrville ch 6. *Pby of Zanesville*—Grandville ch, Sab-sch 21; Jersey ch 12 25, mon coll; Fairmount ch 5

44 25

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Butler*—Centreville ch 30; Martinsburgh ch 15 45. *Pby of Erie*—Pleasantville ch 171 50. *Pby of Kittanning*—Smicksburg ch 11. *Pby of Shenango*—Hermon ch 60

287 95

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—The Square ch 4. *Pby of Geneva*—Ithaca 1st ch 49 11, 10 of which from students in Cornell University. *Pby of Steuben*—Campbell ch 50

103 11

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Harrisburgh 1st ch 25, mon coll, add'l. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Clearfield ch 40. *Pby of Northumberland*—Shiloh ch, St Marys 16

81 00

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Lake Forest ch 300, of which 25 mon coll. Olivet ch 19 75; Thirty-first St ch Chicago 50. *Pby of Freeport*—Foreston Ger ch 40 74

410 49

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Carlinville ch 30 90; New Amity ch, add'l, 10. *Pby of Cairo*—Flora ch 4 65; Fairfield ch 5 35. *Pby of Mattoon*—Vandalia ch 20

70 90

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Logansport*—South Bend 2d ch 1 30; Bethel ch 5 20

6 50

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Waterloo*—Nebraska ch

10 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Columbia ch 5 30; Plymouth ch 5 70. *Pby of Iowa*—Ottumwa Ger ch 2 63; Martinsburg Ger ch 2 62; Birmingham ch 8 05. *Pby of Missouri River*—Clarinda ch 11 45

35 75

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Emporia*—Quenemo ch 10. *Pby of Topeka*—Manhattan ch 10

20 00

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Frankford ch

50 00

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—First ch Brooklyn, Henry St, add'l, 1000, of which Mr and Mrs Fisher Howe 500, and Sab-sch 500; Brooklyn South ch 777 30; Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St, mon coll, add'l, 20 55; Brooklyn, Ansie St ch 10 79; Lafayette Ave ch 460 30, of which 28 30 mon coll; Brooklyn 2d ch Sab-sch 100. *Pby of Long Island*—Southold ch 35; Bridge Hampton ch 15. *Pby of Nassau*—Jamaica ch 63 27

2,484 21

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Grand Rapids*—Grand Haven 1st ch 7 50, add'l. *Pby of Monroe*—Jonesville ch 26 25. *Pby of Saginaw*—Bay City 1st ch 106 29

140 04

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Mankato*—Red Woods Falls ch 4; Beaver Falls ch 2. *Pby of Winona*—Oronoco ch 3

9 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Palmyra*—Clark City ch 10. *Pby of Platte*—Graham ch 6

16 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Perth Amboy ch Sab-sch 41, Memorial. *Pby of Jersey City*—Tenafly ch 74 59. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Orange 2d ch Sab-sch 150. *Pby of Newark*—South Park ch 71 34, mon con; Park ch, Missy Soc'y 62 50; Newark, Roseville ch 380 60; Caldwell ch 50 57. *Pby of West Jersey*—Acto ch 9 14

839 74

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Hudson*—Middle-

town 1st ch, "A widow's offering" 25; Washingtonville 2d ch 20, add'l; Circleville ch 14 50. *Pby of New York*—Madison Square ch 100, add'l; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch 1000, add'l, Memorial. *Pby of Westchester*—Peekskill 2d ch 167 33; Irvington 2d ch 643; West Farms 1st ch 8 80, add'l; Yonkers 1st ch 40 31, mon con; New Rochelle ch 309 90, of which 236 83 Memorial

2,328 84

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Olympia ch

14 56

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Downtown Central ch, Alex P Tutton 62 50. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Towanda Sab-sch 38 35, add'l; Warren ch 6; Archbald ch 26 20. *Pby of Lehigh*—Hokendauqua ch 26, of which Sab-sch 5 12; Upper Lehigh ch 12; Eckley ch 15. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Calvary ch 45, Memorial; Walnut St ch, special Memorial 200. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Dovlestown and Deep Run chs 26 60; Chestnut Hill ch 310, of which 110, "First fruits of penny a day system;" Manayunk 1st ch Sab-sch, add'l 20; Roxborough ch 9; Holmesburg ch 16 82. *Pby of Westminster*—Chestnut Level ch 48 64

862 11

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Union ch 27 75. *Pby of Washington*—Upper Buffalo ch, Mr S A and Mrs A J Caldwell 5, Memorial. *Pby of West Virginia*—Gnatty Creek ch 2

34 75

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Huron*—Olena ch 20; Peru ch 16; Bloomville ch 10

46 00

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Binghamton*—McGrawville ch 36 05. *Pby of Otego*—Head of Delaware ch 25 35; Guilford and Norwich ch 5. *Pby of Syracuse*—Manlius, Trinity ch 12 34; Fayetteville ch 72 78

151 52

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—Buffalo North ch 375. *Pby of Genesee Valley*—Belmont ch 12; Ellicottville ch 22 61; Olean ch 14

423 61

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Wisconsin River*—Cottage Grove ch

11 14

Total received from churches, \$10,458 01

LEGACIES.—Patterson Estate, Pittsburgh 90 48; Legacy, in part, from the estate of Dr John Lyman, dec'd, late of Sangamon Co, Ill 1231 34; Legacy of Mrs Acken, Westfield, N J 5 64; Estate of Stephen R Brady, dec'd, late of LeRoy, N Y 1120; Legacy, in part, of James M Culbertson, Danville, Ill 6335

8,782 46

MISCELLANEOUS.—Myron Phelps and family, Lewistown, Ill 50; "A Fourth of July" offering, W H 5; Mrs M L N 20; Mrs Dr W H Magill, Danville, Pa 3; George Slate, Mt Carmel, Md 1 50; Mrs R Hamden, Ohio 1; Individuals in Congregational ch, Delavan, Wis 29 85; From two ladies in Lunatic Asylum, Dayton, Ohio 75 cts; "From Mary in Heaven" 100; Mrs Jane Ward, Bethany, Pa 5; Rev Chas Wadsworth, Gloversville, N Y 15; "Dee" 3; Mrs Contant 2; Mrs J H Brown, Valparaiso, Ind 5; Mrs Eleanor McMillan, College Hill, Ohio 50; Enfield North Congregational ch 62 68; Dr John S Crane, Goshen, N Y 35; J H Colt, Esq, Atwater, Ohio 6; Samuel McLaughlin, Hookstown, Pa 5; "J M," Philadelphia, Pa 25; "A friend in Illinois," add'l 310 06; Joseph Frazer, M. D., St Elmo, Ill 5; Miss E C Barlow, Iowa 4

743 84

Total in July, \$19,984 31

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THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which ye have showed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to his saints, and do minister.—HEB. vi.

### LEAVING THEIR PRINCIPLES.

Paul advised the people to whom he wrote in one of his epistles to leave their principles. What!—Christian principles? Yes!—for he calls them “the principles of the doctrine of Christ.” But surely not fundamental doctrines? Yes, just these; repentance, faith, baptism, the ordination of the ministry, the resurrection, the judgment. Why! does he mean that we are to *give up* these principles, which are the foundation of our salvation, and of the church’s existence? No, he does not mean that we are to *abandon* these principles; but he does mean that we are to *leave* them, in the sense of advancing from them to the duties which the knowledge of them impose. He means that when a man has laid bare the rock, and fixed the foundations of his house firmly on it, and built the stone courses, he is to “go on” with the brick and the wood; he is to put in the floors and windows and furniture; he is to spread his table, and invite kinsfolk and neighbors, and the poor, to come and eat and drink with him. Paul means that when one has dug deep the ground, and planted the seed of the word, and watered it well with the tears of godly repentance, and fenced his garden round with sound ordinances, he is not to keep digging and spading, laying and measuring, building up and patching over the wall far more than is needed; he is to “go on” to train the plants, to use all the means which are needful to purge it, that it may bring forth more fruit, and to make the fruit sweet and serviceable, and to prepare it for use and the market and transportation. Some of that fruit is needed here; some of it is to be packed and sent to refresh and benefit far-off regions. What a shame then to be for ever bowed down, digging and wall-building, sweating over the mattock and the spade! That is winter work and spring work. Are we to have no summer work and autumn work? Nothing under the golden sun—nothing from the ripened clusters—nothing in the abundance of the harvest—nothing in the joy of the feasting!

There are some ministers who are always working among these “principles,” these *beginnings*, which most of their people already understand and believe. And like men who return to plough and dig in fields where the grain and plants need light and sunshine and other culture, and thus do harm instead of good, so these unwise spiritual husbandmen keep preaching the fundamental doctrines alone. Much earnest preaching of these is needed all the time, just as the gardener is continually using the spade to set out young plants, or to nourish and to aid the growth of the fruit-bearing ones.

But “let us *go on*!” says Paul; “let us go on to *perfection*.” What a blest and joyful idea is there here. Then he proceeds to warn them of the peril of unfruitfulness; of God’s anger with ground “dressed,” but only bearing thorns and briars which is rejected and nigh unto cursing; “whose end is to be burned.” And he points them to the “better things;” to “works and labors of love;” to

"ministry to the saints," to zeal which we "have showed toward His name" who daily makes His sun to shine upon the good and upon the evil, and His rain to fall upon the just and the unjust. He says: "And we desire that every one of you do show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end"—he wants every one to go to work; every one to aim at the highest enjoyment of their religion; every one to keep their eyes upon the celestial recompense of those whose terrestrial "labors do follow them."

O, if Christians would but leave their principles, in this sense, and "go on to perfection," how different would be the state of the Church. How would each one grow in every grace, and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. How would the Holy Spirit be poured out for the conversion of great multitudes of sinners. How would believers begin again to be of one heart and one soul, and to hold their property a trust for Christ and His kingdom; neither would any of them say that aught of the things which he possessed was his own. How would sons and daughters be consecrated to the glorious work of publishing salvation.

Do Thou, O God, send a plentiful rain, whereby Thou mayst confirm Thine inheritance, in this time when it is weary. Prepare of Thy goodness for the poor. Do Thou, LORD, who gave the word, make great the company of them that publish it.

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### THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The sum of all that a Board performs in its department of church work, the most important facts elicited in the course of its duty, which it is for the interest of the ministry and people to hear, and the most necessary suggestions as to what they should do to further and improve the work—this is what makes up an Annual Report. There is scarcely a man, woman, or child, whose eye falls upon that of the Board, which has just been issued, and would have been issued sooner, but for the necessity of waiting for the corrected addresses of the ministry which are furnished in the printed Minutes of the General Assembly, scarcely one who may not learn from it much that is of value, and which they have not known before. Its materials may be wrought into sermons, or monthly concert, or prayer-meeting addresses. The principles and plan of the Board's work, the general facts, the statistics, the promptings, are worthy the perusal and thoughtful consideration of every one that loves the Saviour, and is really willing to know how he may best advance his cause among men. The spirit of prayer will find in it new subjects for thanksgiving, and renewed petitions. To the liberal soul it will point out a field in which the "little seeds of mercy" may be planted and cultivated, with the prospect of a valuable and abundant return here, or that it may

"Grow to bless the nations  
Far in heathen lands."

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### ANNUAL RENEWALS.

Among the many encouraging letters received by us during the last year, in regard to the reorganization of the work of education, was one from the respected chairman, Rev. Dr. J. M. Macdonald, of the Committee of Education of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, which has recommended twice as many candidates as any other Presbytery in the entire church. In it he said, in respect to the requisition that the recommendations of candidates for the ministry shall be renewed each year:—"The rule is an important one. I believe I had the honor of



introducing it, and securing its adoption, in the Assembly of 1862. I hope it will be enforced."

The importance of future rigid regard to the rule is constantly brought before the attention of those connected with the Board and with institutions of learning. Last fall a young man wrote to this office to say that he had been recommended several years ago, through the application of the principal of an academy, but he had forgotten with what church his name was connected, or what Presbytery had made the recommendation, and he wished information on the subject, as he saw that the Board now must have a renewal each year. Cases such as this, with the observation of the bad results of the want of care of Presbyteries over their candidates for the ministry, led to the introduction into the constitution of the new Board, and also into its rules, of the requisition that in every case a student must be annually recommended for the amount needed by him.

It is of the highest moment that, as every Presbytery looks over its various departments of home-work each year, and inquires into the state of religion in each church and district, and renews the application to the proper Board for the amount of pecuniary assistance which is required in one form and another, so it shall inquire into the intellectual progress, the growth in fitness for their work, and the personal wants of the young men whom it has accepted as candidates for the pulpits where the gospel is to be proclaimed, and as laborers in the fields within its bounds, or in others where men may be still more destitute of the bread of life. The recommendations to the Board of Education should be based upon a sincere regard for the interests of the cause and of the young men, and of the church.

The summaries of the Professors' Reports, as to the proficiency and standing of the students during the past year, which are sent to each Education Committee, will afford assistance to the Presbyteries in determining the propriety of the continuance of aid, and the tenor of such counsel and advice as may be suitable to each one. But the principal reliance should be upon personal communication with the student, or free correspondence through the Education Committee, his pastor, and others acquainted with him. Particular inquiry should be made of each as to the amount of pecuniary aid which he really needs. This is a business matter, and should be attended to in a business-like way. As a general rule, the Board will grant the amount, within the maximum fixed for each course, and for the length of future time within the year, which the Presbytery recommends in each individual case.

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### CONVENTIONS OF ELDERS.

The elder performs a most important part in the ordinary and permanent ministry of the gospel. Though styled "ruling," it is a great misconception to suppose that he is chiefly appointed by the Head of the Church to aid in the work of government and discipline. Exhortation, teaching, efforts to promote the great designs of the church in many ways, outside of the primary functions which were specially assigned to the pastor, made the faithful New Testament elder worthy of double honor. The elder and the deacon were commissioned officers in the Christian army, whose courage and energy were only of less account than that of their superiors, and, indeed, often decided the successes and the reputation of the companies which they helped to lead. Would that every elder of the Presbyterian Church in America conceived his duties and his privileges in the light of the era when Christianity first went forth to the conquest of the world.

We found much profit and enjoyment in the Convention of Elders recently held

at Huntingdon, Pa., which was presided over with spirit by the Hon. John Scott, of the United States Senate, and its deliberations aided by a considerable number of gentlemen eminent both in the Church and State. The topics discussed must leave an impression for great good in all the churches of the region. The scripture plan of systematic contributions, questions relating to the conversion and higher consecration of the youth of the church, the better influence of the Sabbath-school; the relationship of the eldership to the ministry and the advancement of religion, and kindred subjects, were talked over, and, what is better, *prayed over*. May there be many such exercises during the present year of grace, which, like the ploughing and cultivation of the fallow and neglected soil in some of our States, shall change our spiritual climate, and bring showers of rain from heaven where rain has been little known before.

### TO THE FALL PRESBYTERIES.

The attention of the Presbyteries at their fall meetings is respectfully called to the following two points which relate to the work of the Board of Education:

I. If any candidate, upon the evidence of the examination and inquiries through the Education Committee, and of the summary of the Professors' Reports which this Board has furnished, manifests deficiency in scholarship, piety, or other qualifications for the ministry, it is, according to the Rules of the Board, a sacred duty to the student, the Board, and the cause of religion, to withhold a renewal of his recommendation until the Presbytery is fully satisfied as to the propriety of it: the name of no man should be retained upon our roll who does not give reasonable prospect of usefulness in the office of the ministry.

II. The General Assembly recommends earnestly, that the churches increase their contributions to the Board of Education *one-half* this year, on account of the increase of students, and the imperative need of more liberal aid to them.

WILLIAM SPEER, *Corresponding Secretary*.

### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN JULY, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —Charleston ch 11; Amsterdam 1st ch 5	\$16 00
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Bell-Air ch 10. <i>Pby of New Castle</i> —New Castle ch, from Mrs Couper 20. <i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington City North ch 5 50	35 50
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati: 7th ch 70 15. <i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Dayton East ch 20; Hamilton ch 33 55. <i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Georgetown ch 12 50	136 20
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Orange ch	3 00
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Industry ch	2 60
SYNOD OF GENESEE.— <i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Moscow ch 10; Dansville ch 53 12	63 12
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Oaks Corners ch	7 00
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Lower Marsh Creek and Great Connewago chs 17 25; Middletown ch 21 47. <i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Alexandria ch 25; Hollidaysburg ch 26 45. <i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Williamsport 2d ch 56 81; Lewisburg ch 31 16	178 14
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Neoga ch	10 40
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Fort Wayne 2d ch	12 00
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Rock Creek ch	2 00
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.— <i>Pby of Ebenczer</i> —Lexington 2d ch	368 15
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Sag Harbor ch. Ladies' Educational Soc'y	56 00
SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Bay City ch	20 55
SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of Mankato</i> —Jackson ch 5. <i>Pby of Winona</i> —Le Roy ch 5	10 00
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Lamington ch 61. <i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Jersey City 1st ch 48 11. <i>Pby of Newton</i> —Blairstown ch 48 50	157 61
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of North River</i> —Bethlehem ch 23 43. <i>Pby of Westchester</i> —Bedford ch 1; Dobbs Ferry ch 112 90	137 33
SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Greenwich St ch	10 00
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Washington</i> —Claysville ch	50 00
SYNOD OF UTICA.— <i>Pby of Otsego</i> —Butternuts ch 25; Van Buren ch 12. <i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Pompey ch 7	44 00
SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —La Crosse ch 9; North La Crosse ch 5. <i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Waukesha ch 9 20	23 20
	\$1,342 79
LEGACIES.	
Estate of Mrs Acker, Westfield, N J	\$5 64
REFUNDED.	
W D	\$165 00
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Interest, in part, on Mean's Fund 408; Interest, in part, on Jacob's Fund 12; H M Lane, Jersey City, N J 5; Mrs Dr W H Magill, Danville, Pa 2; E J Hill, Kankakee, Ill 5; M Phelps and family, Lewistown, Ill 50; Alexander Guy, M D, Oxford, Ohio, special 60	542 00
Total amount acknowledged,	\$2,054 44
WILLIAM MAIN, <i>Treasurer</i> .	

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS.—The Rev. James Bassett, of the Presbytery of Chicago, and his wife, Rev. William R. Stocking and his wife, transferred by the American Board, Miss Mary Jewett, of Marshalltown, Iowa, and Mrs. Cochran, wife of the Rev. Joseph G. Cochran, on her return, embarked at New York, August 9th, on their journey to the mission in Persia. Mr. Bassett was for some years a successful pastor. Mr. Stocking is a son of the missionary in Persia, who entered into his rest a few years ago. Miss Jewett is the daughter of one of the ministers of our church in Iowa. Mrs. Cochran leaves an invalid daughter, and a son at school, both under the care of friends in this country. Many prayers will be offered for these Christian friends. Their arrival will be welcomed with great delight by the enfeebled company of missionary laborers in Persia.

We have heard from Mr. Bushnell and his company at Old Calabar. They expected to reach Gaboon in a few days. We have heard also of the arrival of Dr. Vrooman at Bangkok, on his way to Chieng-mai; and of Mr. MacElroy at Santa Fe, on his way to his station in New Mexico. The Rev. J. Carrington and his wife, of the mission in Siam, have gone to the north of China for the present, on account of Mrs. Carrington's continued ill health, and with the hope of being able to remain in missionary service in a colder climate. The Rev. D. Thompson, of the mission in Japan, has returned to this country on a visit.

CONVERTS RECEIVED.—Mr. Ramsay, of the Seminole Mission, writes that eight persons were received as communicants by the Creek church on the first Sabbath in July, seven of them pupils in the school, and four persons by the Seminole church on the preceding Sabbath. The communion services in both churches were of much interest; Mr. Ramsay and Mr. Perryman assisted Mr. Robertson at the Creek church. We are grateful to report also the admission of two converts to the Chinese church in San Francisco; two to the church of Tungechow, China, one of them a woman eighty years of age; two baptized at Tsinan fu, Shantung, by Mr. McIlvaine, both of them "educated men;" six to the church of Chefoo; one to the church of Clay-Ashland, and two to the church of Greenville, Sinou, in Liberia; four to the church of Rio de Janeiro; fifteen at one of the out-stations of Brotas, and ten at Brotas itself in Brazil. Seldom have the letters of a month brought us more encouraging returns.

AT BEIRUT, the missionaries have been deeply interested in the case of a Mohammedan convert, and Dr. Jessup has sent a full account of the proceedings concerning him, which will be found in the *Foreign Missionary*. He was arrested by the authorities, sent to Damascus, put in prison, subjected to reproaches and cruel treatment, and threatened with death itself; but grace was given to him from on high, so that he witnessed a good confession. His case was taken up with vigor, not only by the missionaries, but by some of the foreign consuls, and eventually he was released, with warning to leave Beirut in twenty days. The grace that made this poor man willing to meet death rather than to deny his Saviour was truly remarkable. His case, moreover, was not one of personal interest only, but it served to test the ability and disposition of the Turkish rulers to maintain religious toleration; and in this respect its final issue was not so unfavorable as might have been feared.



RECEIPTS IN MAY, JUNE, AND JULY.—From churches, \$30,169; from legacies, \$2,491; from individual donors, \$12,038; in all, \$44,699. Receipts in the same months last year, \$42,577—of which, from churches, \$15,203.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO AUGUST 14th.—From Olanah, July 10th; Omaha, July 10th; Creek, July 31st; Seminole, July 18th; Las Vegas, July 29th; Santa Fe, August 1st; Navajo, July 9th; San Francisco, July 31st; Yokohama, June 16th; Tsinan-fu, May 21st; Tungehow, June 6th; Shanghai, June 12th; Ningpo, June 8th; Canton, June 9th; Bangkok, May 15th; Chiengmai, April 20th; Futtehgurh, June 24th; Ambala, May 24th; Lodiana, June 3d; Beirut, June 17th; Abeih, July 15th; Monrovia, June 10th; Old Calabar, June 7th; Rio de Janeiro, June 24th; Brotas, June 10th; Bogota, May 10th.

### NEW OR ENLARGED MISSION HOUSE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Our missionaries to the Chinese in California have long felt the need of larger mission premises. The building now occupied contains a chapel, school rooms, lodging rooms, kitchen, &c. It has answered very valuable ends. It was provided by Christian friends in San Francisco, and by the Board, or rather by the gifts of a few friends in New York through the Board. It is well situated for work among the Chinese. It is a valuable property, but it has one serious fault—it is too small for the enlarged work of the mission; see a letter on the subject in the last number of the *Foreign Missionary*. Other denominations, not exerting a hundredth part of the influence of our mission upon the California Chinese, have provided their laborers with far better accommodations than our brethren possess, which may be taken as an example to us. But not making very much of this, we think the work itself in the hands of our missionaries calls for larger premises.

What is needed? About twenty thousand dollars—either to provide a new site and a larger building, costing that sum and the sum that could be obtained by the sale of the property now belonging to the Board—perhaps fifteen thousand dollars, in all thirty-five thousand dollars; or else, to purchase adjoining land, and to enlarge the present building. In either case, the cost of the land is the chief expense. In either case, twenty thousand dollars would probably be sufficient.

Can this large sum be obtained? The answer is not far to seek. The Memorial Fund Committee paid to the Treasurer of the Board five hundred dollars for this object, and some other donations have been received—particularly, within a few days, the noble gift of two thousand dollars from a friend. Thus, counting in the existing property, one-half of the amount required is already in hand. We wish to commend this object, then, as one not only desirable and important, but as one that is practicable. A new or enlarged building can be obtained, without any debt. (A debt is not to be thought of for a moment, as one of the ways of gaining it.) It may take a little time to secure it, but we trust not a long time. Will our friends keep it in mind? If so, it will not be very long before our mission, which was first on the ground, which was for many years the only one, which is still far the most efficient agency for good to our Chinese countrymen, will not be laboring at a serious disadvantage.

### ITINERANT MISSIONARY WORK IN INDIA.

We insert the following account of his missionary plans and labors by the Rev. M. M. Carleton, of the Lodiana

Mission, dated June 7th. Mr. Carleton's wife and children are in this country at present, for the education of the children. Owing to the state of his health, as well as to his views of mis-

sionary work, Mr. Carleton has for a number of years pursued the course herein described, with the approval of his brethren.

An itinerant missionary, if he is worth much, will itinerate most of the time, and his station will be where night overtakes him. All the home I have while in the cold season of seven months, is a tent ten feet square. Where my tent is pitched for the night, *there* is my station; and during the whole year I wander over hundreds of miles of territory. It is, therefore, obvious that *practically* I can have no station while I live this kind of life. It is a life that I most cheerfully accept, as I believe I am called of God to labor in this way among the heathen, and my dear brethren of this mission have freely given me up to this kind of work. . . .

As soon as the hot season sets in, and I can bear the heat no longer in my tent, I gradually work toward the hills. I enter the hills about the 6th or 8th of April, after the Manimajri Mela takes place, which is at the foot of the hills. During the whole of April I am on the road to Koolloo Valley, Mid-Himalayas. I leave my tent in the plains to save expense of carriage, and till I reach Koolloo, I live and sleep by the roadside, or in a shopkeeper's store if it rains. In Koolloo, I occupy a little bungalow belonging to the Ice Company Plantation, which I hire and pay for at my own expense, to save itinerating funds. Here I have one of the finest climates in the world during May, June, July, and August. I preach daily, associate freely with the people, giving medicine as much as I am able. My home is the village of Piach, and Dr. Newton, who has been here, is very much inclined to occupy Koolloo next year with me. I have urged upon missionaries the value of this valley as a mission station and a sanatorium combined. I have for years believed that invalid missionaries would be far better off in recruiting health here than in America.

About the 1st of September I leave Piach and go slowly to the plains, living by the wayside till I reach Amballa. Passing Amballa, I go directly to my Christian village, Suntoki Majra, which is nearly seventy miles in a south-westerly direction from Amballa, in the Karnal District, Delhi Division. I stay in and about the village nearly seven months of the year, preaching among the villagers, and doing pastoral work in

the Christian village. There is a small church organized, and an elder elected, who, during my absence in the hot season, acts as pastor over the flock. The elder is himself one of the villagers. If I were to give you the history of this Christian village, I should perhaps have to begin with my first connection with this mission. From Amballa to Delhi, and from Amballa to Lodiana and Ferozepoor, southwest to Central India, there is no mission whatever. By occupying this point, I am able to work over a portion of an immense territory that may not be occupied for the next thirty years. I should mention that as yet, only those who come to me as inquirers, or are connected with me as servants, are to settle in this village. I cannot as yet make it available for native Christians and inquirers of other stations. I have adopted the plan of having no one in my service *but Christians*, and my servants all have an interest in this land. I cannot think it right for our mission premises to be filled with Hindoo and Mohammedan servants, when native Christians and inquirers could be taught the same work. I believe that half of the very unhappy church discipline in our mission compounds would be avoided, if native Christians were taught to be more thrifty and industrious. "Satan always finds some work for idle hands to do." This is fearfully true in mission compounds, as the experience of every missionary will testify. While if our native Christians had some work independent of the mission, they would be more industrious and more manly. I wrote to you in February about the offices at Suntoke Majra. I hope you got the letter. Soon after I wrote, a terrible calamity happened at our village. Some scoundrel put a quantity of arsenic into my food, so much that it was ejected from my stomach in ten minutes after I ate, and thereby my life was spared, though I had a terrible night of suffering. The wife of one of my native Christian families, who cooked the food, to show that there was no fault in the cooking, ate of the food while I was so sick (unknown to me) and died a most horrible death. The scoundrel put the poison into my food while she attended a singing meeting with the native Christians of the village, and was thus absent from her cook-room a short time.

When I first came to the mission, some of the older brethren said to me, that as I hailed from New England, I ought to be the best fitted to start some



enterprise or business, by which native converts and inquirers could get a livelihood. And before I had been in the mission long, I found that nearly every Christian and inquirer was receiving support more or less from the mission, in one way or another. Every missionary felt deeply the evil of having no work by which the native convert could gain a livelihood; but none of us could tell just how to rid ourselves of this unmitigated evil. I studied several departments of industry, and those that I was sure would be most profitable required so much capital to begin, that I was discouraged, or rather hesitated to make the attempt to get the necessary funds. In 1863 I determined to try cattle raising, if I could get good grazing land, for I was sure by careful examination, that while it was the lightest form or department of agriculture, and the most respectable to a native, it would be the most profitable. From that time I looked out for a suitable tract of land. Here was my greatest difficulty. I wished to get a tract of land near Amballa. But land had increased so much in value, that near so large a station, not even a few acres could be found. I had, therefore, to look toward Hissar, and Hansi, and Sirsa, the great cattle grazing land in this part of India. It was not till 1866 that I could get a suitable tract. One object in this enterprise that I had kept strictly in view, is that in establishing this village, there should also be one or more of the villagers who should be engaged in preaching in the surrounding villages, that it should in time be a missionary out-station, and there is no part of India where such a station is more required than where I have begun this village.

#### MATTERS OF INTEREST AT CANTON.

The Rev. H. Corbett and his wife, of Chefoo, China, made a visit to Canton for the object here mentioned, and we are glad to learn with such good success. Mr. Corbett thus refers, June 1st, to this visit and to various matters of interest:

I have previously written of Mrs. Corbett's long and serious illness.

On the recommendation of the physician and the advice of friends, we felt it to be our duty to try the benefit of a sea voyage. Entrusting our children to the care of Miss Downing, we left Chefoo about a month ago, in a German sailing

vessel. A voyage of three weeks brought us safely to Hongkong. Mrs. Corbett's health has been greatly improved by the change, and we trust the trip will be blessed to the restoration of perfect health.

We have been cheered and refreshed by meeting such a goodly company of missionaries here in good health, and deeply interested in their work.

The Chinese seem so different here from the people in the north, that we can scarcely realize that we are still in China. Here all hurry along the street, and seem as busy as people who live in a land of railroads, while in the north, all move as slowly as though they were making an effort to put in the time.

I have visited the schools here connected with the various missions and the chapels, and seen much of the work in the hospital, all of which has been of deep interest to me. The facility with which both boys and girls can be secured to attend the day schools, opens a wide field for missionary effort at a small outlay of money. It must be cheering to Mr. Loomis to know that two of the assistant preachers, and the principal assistants in the hospital, were brought to a knowledge of the truth in connection with his labors in San Francisco. They speak of him with deep feeling.

I have been at one of the temples to hear a heathen preacher. He spoke from the sacred edict, on the duty of honoring parents. Probably two hundred persons were present, and seemed to listen with interest. I am told that one of the preachers is a man of great eloquence, and receives a much higher salary than any of the Christian preachers. The people here, it seems, have subscribed very liberally—have opened free schools—are printing and distributing tracts—providing for the sick, etc. Surely the gospel is silently exerting an influence, when it excites the heathen to act thus.

We hope soon to be able to return to our home and work at Chefoo. The Sabbath before leaving them, it was my privilege to baptize six men. There are other inquirers of whom we have hope. Very sincerely.

#### FURTHER ACCOUNTS FROM CANTON.

We add to Mr. Corbett's letter one written a few days later, June 9th, by the Rev. H. V. Noyes of Canton.

Your last letter brought the news of the action of the Board in reference to the girls' boarding school and class for



training women for assistants, all of which is very satisfactory, and for which we are thankful. I hope there may be funds for putting up the building soon. Some kind of building must be put up before the school begins. and it seems very desirable that it should be the permanent one.

We have at last succeeded in renting one chapel in the country, fifty miles up the West River. I made a trip of ten days up that river a short time since, and was present at the opening of this new chapel. It is in quite a small village, but there are many other villages near. During the few days that I was there the chapel was open some three hours each day, and well filled. It seats about thirty. Many visitors came in to make inquiries in regard to the new doctrine. I hope that God's blessing may rest upon the labors of the assistant who is stationed there.

We have opened two new schools this year, some sixty or eighty miles in a southerly direction from the city, with the hope of eventually having chapels and native assistants there.

We have as yet failed of getting a building at Fatshan. We thought at one time we were on the point of securing one, but just at the end the owner declined to rent, through the influence of relatives and the opposition of the neighborhood. Just now we have an opportunity of buying a lot with buildings on it for six hundred taels. It is in a favorable place, and a desirable lot otherwise. We are able to buy it with the local fund on hand, and the appropriation of two hundred dollars a year for three or four years. If the owner keeps his promise, we can probably arrange for it, but it is difficult to be quite sure about such purchases until they are actually in possession.

I am going next Monday to visit the country to the north of the city.

We have just had a delightful visit from Mr. and Mrs. Corbett of Chefoo. I presume you are aware that Mrs. Corbett has disease of the lungs. It was a great satisfaction to see the material advantage which she seemed to have derived from the voyage down, and also her stay here. . . . We said good-by to them last night. The Carringtons from Bangkok go with them. They could not stay in the hot climate here, but have hopes that the cool climate of Northern China may agree with them. From all that I hear in regard to them,

I hope they will be able to continue in the mission field.

### ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM TUNGCHOW.

From a letter of Mrs. Nevius, wife of the Rev. J. L. Nevius, D.D., dated May 25th, we take the following extract :

If we should remain at Tungchow, and I should keep the school, I hope you will be able to send me an assistant. I need one *very* much. I am very often unable, for weeks at a time, to teach in the school. I manage to keep things going on pretty well, and the pupils improve, but it is in a way very unsatisfactory to myself. Then I have my women classes in whom I am specially interested. I think I can gradually increase the number of women engaged in studying the Bible, until they alone would be enough to occupy one lady's time; I am greatly assisted in this work by my school girls, and I think their learning to teach others is a most valuable lesson to them.

Yesterday, old Mrs. Tiang, who has been with me two or three months, was received into the church. She is about eighty years of age, and being very infirm, she seems much older. But she has improved wonderfully in Christian knowledge, and I think is a very sincere Christian. The matron of the school was baptized at the same time. Another of my women was examined by the session last week, and her baptism was only deferred, because not having been very long under instruction, they feared she might be deceiving herself, though she bore a good examination, and appeared well. I am expecting several women and school girls from Ping-du in a few weeks.

### MISSION WORK IN LIBERIA.

The Rev. James M. Priest, who has been twenty-eight years a missionary of the Board in Liberia, writes from Greenville, Sinou, June 6th, of several matters of interest. The seminary he refers to is a projected school for the superior education of girls, which he hoped could have received aid from the Memorial Fund. He rightly regards a school of this kind as of much importance to the interests of religion and the welfare of society. In a letter of earlier

date, he speaks of this proposed school, and of the need of a new church building, as objects lying near his heart, and adds, "I do not distrust God. I believe that my desire could be carried out after I am dead, if it be the will of God that it shall be done, with as much ease as now. But I have a desire to see it done while I am living. I am not able now to learn whether it is the will of God, but I will certainly be taught on this head."—We believe no grant was made for these objects from the Memorial Fund, and we suppose that, without liberal gifts from this country, it will be very difficult to obtain the needed buildings. If any of our readers feel moved to render assistance to Mr. Priest in these objects, we hope they will write to him for particular information. We will forward their letters with pleasure.

Since my return home, I have received two additions in membership to my church. . . . Whilst I am not prepared to say that there is a great manifestation of an increase of growth in grace on the part of the members of the Presbyterian Church in this country, yet there is a decided improvement in point of liberality. The members seem to be willing as far as they are able. If we had rich men in connection with our church, I believe they would give richly.

The surrounding tribes of aborigines, outside of their petty wars, are really willing to gain all the information that can be given. But, to their shame, they are not very willing to have their females educated; yet should we be successful with the female seminary, we hope, by the help of God, to make an inroad upon this system of degradation.

Our church, day-school, and Sabbath-school are in their usual trim. Please give my regards to all my interesting friends in New York. My desires are the same in relation to the Brick church and the seminary. Do remember us in these directions. My son, James Robert Priest, has graduated, and your mission would use him in the service of the church.

#### CIMARRON AS A MISSION FIELD.

One of the Indian agents, nominated by the Board, an esteemed elder of our

Church, was appointed by the Government to the Cimarron agency, New Mexico. The Rev. George McKinley spent a few months at this agency, and thus writes, under date of July 26th:

I desire to give you some account of Cimarron as a mission field, that it may receive from the Board the consideration which it deserves.

Cimarron is in Colfax County, a new county erected one year ago. It embraces the northeast corner of New Mexico, and is about one hundred miles square. Elizabethtown, situated thirty miles northwest from Cimarron, high up in the mountains, is the county seat. It has a population of about three hundred, and it is thought there are four hundred men in the mines round about it; most of these are Americans.

There is an American settlement on Red River, thirty miles north of Cimarron, on the Santa Fe road. There is also a settlement forming East, near the Texas line, chiefly composed of Texans; Cimarron (seventy-five miles distant) is their nearest town. The Mexicans are dispersed through the whole county, besides the Indians of the Cimarron agency; altogether there may be three thousand souls in the county, perhaps more, and not one man to preach the gospel to them, nor a single school, save the one at Cimarron, which will commence again the first week in August. Men and women throughout this region are wholly given over to the lusts of the flesh, the lusts of the eye, and the pride of life. In Cimarron there is more of Protestantism than in any other point in the territory, except it may be Santa Fe.

Cimarron is the head-quarters of the great English Company known as "The Maxwell Land Grant and Railway Company," a company which is doing more for the physical and moral benefit of New Mexico than any other company in the territory. They are building the town, the church, and the school-house, but do not intend to run the two latter, though will assist in supporting them. They have a fine flouring mill; a large store; intend to erect a large woollen mill; have banished whiskey from their whole concern. They intend Cimarron to be the principal point in the county. . . . This is the second Protestant church edifice in the territory, and is altogether the handsomest, Catholic or Protestant. The Company have commenced a school-house, which will be ready for use by November.



On my way home I stopped at Denver, and secured, as was believed, a competent and pious young lady to take charge of the school at Cimarron. She agreed to teach for sixty dollars per month. The Company promised me that they would pay twenty dollars per month towards her salary, and furnish the school-house. The larger portion of the pupils will be Mexicans. Through the blessing of God upon the school, great light may rise upon those people sitting in the valley and shadow of death.

The Indians of the Cimarron agency are much displeased and disheartened

at the improvements and signs of civilization at Cimarron. They shake their heads and say, "No, no good." They are now, for the first time, anxious to be placed on a reservation. They would like to go to the northwest corner of the territory, on what is called Cimarron Seca, on account of hunting advantages.

The Indian agent, Mr. Roedel, (dear good man,) feels very anxious about his Indians. As they are, he can do nothing for them, physically, intellectually, or morally. These poor Indians are half naked; they have not received a single garment from Government for the last three years.

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN JULY 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Phy of Albany*—First ch Jefferson 6 96; Conklingville ch Sab-sch 4 75; Day Centre ch Sab-sch 4 10. *Phy of Champlain*—Burke ch 20; Belmont ch 33; Constable ch, for Rev R G Wilder 17 \$85 81

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Phy of Baltimore*—Govan Chapel 9 28, Sab-sch 6 23 = 15 51; Brown Memorial ch 500; Twelfth st ch Sab-sch 36. *Phy of Washington City*—Bridge st ch, Georgetown, Memorial 107 25; 1st ch Alexandria 3 50; North ch, Washington 17 679 26

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Phy of Cincinnati*—Fifth ch Sab-sch, Cincinnati, to sup native in Syria 50; 1st ch Walnut Hills 98 73, Sab-sch 29 90 = 128 63; 2d ch Cincinnati 13; Lane Sem'y ch 13 65 205 23

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Phy of Cleveland*—Strongs-ville ch 12; Western Reserve College ch 23. *Phy of Mahoning*—Middle Sandy ch 33; Poland ch, Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y 30. *Phy of St Clairsville*—Portland Sab-sch 5; 1st ch Sab-sch, Kirkwood, for Mrs Alexander's sch, India 55 35. *Phy of Steubenville*—New Hagerstown Sab-sch 34; Harlem Spring Sab-sch 15 209 35

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Phy of Athens*—First ch Nelsonville 3 75; Pomeroy Sab-sch, for sch in Syria 15 55; Decatur ch 2 25. *Phy of Columbus*—Rush Creek ch 4. *Phy of Wooster*—Ashland ch, Miss Mary M Anderson, dec'd 1. *Phy of Zanesville*—Granville Sab-sch 58; Buffalo ch 48 132 55

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Phy of Allegheny*—Centre-ville Sab-sch 25; Industry ch 10. *Phy of Clarion*—Clarion Sab-sch, for Chefoo sch 14 75; Bethesda ch, Female Miss'y Soc'y 13 50. *Phy of Erie*—Waterloo ch 9. *Phy of Shenango*—Hopewell ch, Mr Huston, dec'd 99, Sab-sch 5 = 104 176 25

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Phy of Chemung*—Burdett ch 41. *Phy of Geneva*—First ch Ithaca 16; Cornell University 7. *Phy of Lyons*—First ch Savannah 10 77 00

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Phy of Carlisle*—Greencastle ch 5, Sab-sch 25 = 30. *Phy of Northumberland*—Great Island ch Sab-sch 7 79, Infant class 2 56 = 10 35; Mifflinsburg ch Sab-sch 5 25; Newberry ch, A W King 12, Sab-sch, to sup Mrs M B Newton 26 = 38; Buffalo ch 10 93 60

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Phy of Bloomington*—Second ch Bloomington 129; Bement ch 25, a member 40 = 65; Normal ch 12; Chenoa ch Sab-sch 8 05; Cerro Gordo ch 10 45. *Phy of Schuyler*—Dodds-ville Sab-sch 7. *Phy of Springfield*—Westminster ch, Jacksonville 123 30; 1st Portuguese ch, Jacksonville 16 370 80

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Phy of Chicago*—Hyde Park ch Sab-sch, to sup Hohannus in Persia 50; Olivet ch 41 70; Lake Forest ch 300; Calvary ch 229 29; Dupage Sab-sch, to con Rev J C Porter and Miss Martha Alden *Life Members* 57 85, Robert Strong 12 50 = 70 35; 4th ch Chicago, to sup Rev S H Murphey 420. *Phy of*

*Freeport*—Miss'y Meeting of Ger chs 40 74; 1st ch Freeport 80; 2d ch Freeport 16 50 1 258 58

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Phy of Cairo*—Pisgah ch 32 50

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Phy of Crawfordsville*—Centre ch, Crawfordsville 22. *Phy of Lugansport*—Valparaiso ch 50, Sab-sch, to sup child in Beirut 84 32 = 92 32 114 32

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Phy of Indianapolis*—Second ch Indianapolis 303; Walnut st ch Sab-sch, Bloomington 42. *Phy of New Albany*—Pleasant Township Sab-sch 1; Charlestown Sab-sch 5 10. *Phy of Vincennes*—Ohio ch, Rev S Ward, for Safita 5, for Rev A Bushnell 2 20 = 7 20 363 30

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Phy of Cedar Rapids*—Marion Sab-sch 17 50; Linn Grove ch 16 93; Wheatland ch 25; 1st ch Cedar Rapids 6 84. *Phy of Waterloo*—Central ch Sab-sch, Nevada 6 65 72 92

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Phy of Des Moines*—Centre-ville ch 9 80. *Phy of Iowa City*—Hermion ch 4 40; Blue Grass ch 1 80; 1st ch Iowa City 9 02. *Phy of Missouri River*—Bedford Sab-sch 2 27 02

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Phy of Louisville*—Hopkinsville Sab-sch, Mary Howe 1 75

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Phy of Brooklyn*—Throop Ave ch 17 87; 1st ch Remsen st 20 55, Sab-sch 150 = 170 55; South Third st ch, Williamsburg 32 96; Classon Ave ch, of which 100 from Mrs Bowers, to con Rev Jas T Duryea *Life Director* 258 91; Genevan ch 20 70; 1st ch Edgewater, S I 8 51; Anslie st ch 10 80; La Fayette Ave ch 147 74; 2d ch Brooklyn 49 44. *Phy of Long Island*—Bridge Hampton ch 32; 1st ch East Hampton 103 77. *Phy of Nassau*—Newtown ch 166 41, Sab sel 50 = 216 41 1,069 66

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Phy of Detroit*—First ch Birmingham 33; 1st ch Plymouth 17 60, Miss M Clark 3 = 20 60; 1st ch Detroit, Richardson Mission Band, to sup girl in Oromiah 31 50. *Phy of Grand Rapids*—Muir ch 10; Pawama ch 10 50. *Phy of Monroe*—First ch Hillsdale 22 38 127 98

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Phy of Winona*—Houston ch 3; Sheldon ch 7 10 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Phy of St Louis*—Cuba ch, J Fleming 3 50

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Phy of Elizabeth*—Third ch Elizabeth 135; 1st ch Rahway 10; Westfield ch 36 87, Legacy of Mrs Aiken 5 64 = 42 51; Perth Amboy ch 100; Elizabethport Sab-sch 9. *Phy of Morris and Orange*—First ch Morristown 142 30; 1st ch Mendham, in part 104 50; 1st ch Hanover 45 44. *Phy of Newark*—Wickliffe ch 9 16; 3d ch Newark 22 81; 3d Ger ch Sab-sch, for Corisco 20; Roseville ch 40 47; South Park



ch 71 33. *Phy of New Brunswick*—First ch New Brunswick 26 75 779 27

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Phy of Hudson*—First ch Monroe 25 50; Florida ch 17; 1st ch Unionville 32; Goshen ch 42 77; Palisades ch 89 14. *1 by of New York*—Brick ch Chapel 10 85; Fifth ave and Nineteenth st ch, a member, Memorial 1000; University Place ch 25; Madison Square ch 100. *Phy of North River*—Calvary ch, Newburg 10 93. *Phy of Westchester*—First ch South Greenburg 10; 1st ch Stamford 336 16, of which 100 from J P Hamilton to con his wife *Life Member*. Sab-sch 18 32 = 354 48; North Salem ch 10, Sab-sch 3 57 = 13 57; 1st ch Yonkers 40 31; 1st ch Peekskill 25 35; 1st ch West Farms 8 89 1,805 70

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Phy of San Jose*—Santa Barbara ch 6 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Phy of Chester*—Oxford ch, a member 8; 2d ch Darby 18 66. *Phy of Lackawanna*—First ch Scranton, Juv Miss'y Ass'n. to sup Miss Loring 125; Montrose ch 9 40, D L 15 = 24 40; 1st ch Sab-sch Towanda 63 35. *Phy of Philadelphia Central*—Kensington Sab-sch 43. *Phy of Philadelphia North*—Holmesburgh ch 16 09; 1st ch Sab-sch Manayunk 20; Abington ch 30. *Phy of Philadelphia*—Tenth ch Phila 125; 4th ch Phila 60; 3d ch Phila, Memorial 15; Walnut st ch, Phila 488 69. *Phy of Westminster*—Chancellor ch 96 04 1,133 23

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Phy of Blairsville*—Livermore ch 43 50; West Fairfield ch 38 75. *Phy of Pittsburgh*—Lawrenceville ch 6; Canonsburg ch 35; Island ch 31 16. *Phy of Redstone*—Connellsville ch 72 25. *Phy of Washington*—Lower Ten Mile ch 10 75; Cross Creek Sab-sch 14; Fairview ch 7 98; 1st ch Wheeling 40 30; Claysville Sab-sch 4 303 69

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Phy of Holston*—Elizabethtown Sab-sch 1 50

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Phy of Huron*—Fremont ch 51 25; 1st ch Sandusky 13 28. *Phy of Lima*—Ada Sab-sch 3 67 53

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Phy of Binghamton*—Nichols ch 26; 1st ch Owego 17; McGrawville ch 24 45. *Phy of Syracuse*—Amboy ch 19 02. *Phy of Utica*—First ch Boonville 29 50 106 97

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Phy of Buffalo*—Pawama ch 11 40; East Hamburg ch 6; North ch, Buffalo 50. *Phy of Genesee*—East Pembroke ch 100. *Phy of Genesee Valley*—Cuba ch 30; Burns ch 1, Sab-sch 50 cts = 1 50. *Phy of Rochester*—Sweden ch, C W Nelson, to ed native minister 5, Miss E Trull for female ed 5 = 10 208 90

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Phy of Lake Superior*—First ch Superior 5. *Phy of Milwaukee*—First ch Cato 3; Stone Bank Sab-sch 1 25. *Phy of Wisconsin River*—Lodi ch Sab-sch 4 40 13 65

Total receipts from churches, \$9,537 87

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Rev Jas Penny, dec'd, Rochester, N Y 129 80; Legacy of Miss Martha Bell McKibben, dec'd, Ashland Co, Ohio 50; Bal of Legacy of Alson Sherwood, dec'd, Fishkill, N Y 18; Legacy of Mrs Margaret Owen, dec'd, Huntingdon Co, Pa 50 247 80

LADIES' BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Women's Board of Missions of Northwest 1,293 91  
Less paid A B C F M, for sup of Naomi Diamant 224 00

1,069 91

MISCELLANEOUS.—J D Hamilton, Campbelltown, N Y 50; Rev N N Spaulding 5; Mrs Jane Findley, Delaware, Ohio 20; Cong'l ch, Oak Park, Ill 10; H M Lane, Jersey City 5; Ref'd ch Sab-sch, Hackensack, N J 23 30; Wm Elliott, Fairfield, Iowa, to sup child at Mynpurie 25; Myron Phelps and family, Lewistown, Ill 50; Mrs Dr Robinson, Detroit, Mich 10; M L S 500; A Friend, Kingston, Pa 1; Geo Sater, Mt Carmel, Ind 1 50; Club of four little girls 22; A friend, Orangeville, N Y 10; A friend 2 31; North Cong'l ch, Enfield, Conn 62 68; Miss Kate McCav, to sup Jos McCav at Saharanpur 28; Southport ch Ct, for Chinese Miss in Cal 100; Two ladies of Bozrah,

Ct, for Chinese in Cal 500; from "Mary in Heaven" 100; Young Ladies of Female Seminary, Lawrenceville, N J 12; Mrs Wm Bingham, Gettysville, Pa 3; A friend in D N 5 10; "H" for Syria 30; Dr J S Crane, Goshen, N Y, to con Miss Margaretta B McCartee *Life Member* 35; One Tenth 1 51; A friend 1; Ed K Clark, Binghamton, for sufferers by famine in Persia 5; J H Conklin, Memorial 5; Lawrenceville, N J. High School 25 58 1,648 97

Total Receipts in July, 1871, \$12,504 55

Total Receipts acknowledged from May 1st, 1871, \$44,699 79

SPECIAL MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—Wyoming ch, N Y, for Tungchow ch 61 30; W R Bush, Troy, N Y, for Gaboon Training sch 100; Rev H W Ballantine and wife for Training sch 50; Ladies Board of Missions, N Y, for Gaboon Yacht 40; Murray Hill ch Sab-sch, for Gaboon Yacht 40; 1st ch Baltimore. Memorial Committee for Dr McCarter's Hospital 335 58; Miss E Beers, South Salem, N Y, for Gaboon Yacht 10; Rev J R Eckard, D.D, for a school-house at Chefoo 50 686 83

COLLECTIONS BY REV. CHAS. R. MILLS.—First ch Easton, Pa, for Phil Apparatus for Tungchow sch 87; La Fayette College 56; Sundries, less discount 1 50; Rev Dr and Mrs Cattell, La Fayette College, for Tungchow Chapel 50; Rev Dr G W Heacock, Buffalo 100; 1st Pres ch, Iola, Kansas 65 359 50

Also received through Rev Chas R Mills, for Tungchow Chapel, as follows, total amount having been acknowledged in July Foreign Missionary:

FRIENDS IN GREAT BRITAIN.—Messrs J and D MacKenzie, London £5; Jas Simson, Esq, Cloona Castle £3; John Gailey, Esq, Dublin £2; Wm Nelson, Esq, Bally Gloss £1; Mrs Bryen, Belfast 5s; Mrs S M Brown, Hollymount 15s. £12—\$64 44  
Members of Central ch, Buffalo 93; Members of Calvary ch, Buffalo 20; P B Pratt, Buffalo 10; F Gridley, Buffalo 5; D B Castle, Buffalo 2; Cash 2; Pres ch, Alden, N Y 10; Leroy Sab-sch N Y 25; Milford Sab-sch, N J 25; Cape Vincent ch, N Y 20; Wyoming ch, Iowa, Rev J L James and wife 10. Two ladies 1 50 = 11 50; Two ladies, Millville, N Y 2; Rev W Frothingham 4 50; Rev C R Mills 10 240 00

Less expenses 10 00

\$230 00

WM. RANKIN, Treasurer,  
23 Centre Street, New York.

LETTERS relating to the Missions, or other operations of the Board, may be addressed to the Rev. JOHN C. LOWRIE, Rev. DAVID IRVING, or Rev. FRANK F. ELLIWOOD, Secretaries, Mission House, 23 Centre street, New York.

LETTERS relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, may be sent to WILLIAM RANKIN, Esq., Treasurer—same address.

OVERLAND MAIL.—Letters for the Overland Mail are forwarded from the Mission House by the Steamers nearest the first and fifteenth of each month. Postage: from New York to LIBERIA and CORISO, 16 cents for each ½ oz weight; to SIAM 28 cents for each ½ oz weight; to INDIA via Southampton 22 cents for each ½ oz weight; to CHINA and JAPAN, via San Francisco 10 cents for each ½ oz weight; to U. S. of Colombia, 18 cents for each ½ oz weight. The steamer for BRAZIL leaves on the 23d of each month; postage 15 cents for each ½ oz weight. Syria 15 cents each ½ oz weight; Persia 15 cents each ½ oz weight. Postage on newspapers 6 cents each. The postage on letters and newspapers must be prepaid. The letters forwarded from the Mission House to each Mission are put in an outside envelope, and therefore stamps should not be affixed to them. The postage is assessed according to the weight of each letter, and may be paid by sending post-office stamps to the Mission House.

## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*.

Manuscripts, and communications concerning matter offered for publication, to the Rev. JOHN W. DULLES, *Editorial Secretary*.

Correspondence of Colporteurs, remittances of money, and donations, to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage and Treasurer.

Orders for Books (except from Colporteurs) and Business Correspondence, to Mr. JOHN A. BLACK. subscriptions to *The Presbyterian Monthly Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to Mr. PETER WALKER.

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### TO STATED CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES.

At its sessions in Philadelphia in May, 1870, the General Assembly adopted the following resolution:

"Each Presbytery is directed to appoint one or more of its members a Presbyterial Publication Committee; which Committee shall, in that Presbytery, supervise the work of securing an annual collection for this Board from each of its churches; shall search out and recommend to the Board suitable persons to act as colporteurs; shall correspond with the Board in reference to its work in that Presbytery, and shall do whatever else may tend to promote the work and interests of the Board, and to secure a thorough distribution of the Board's publications within and throughout the bounds of the Presbytery." See *Minutes*, page 115.

Most of the newly-organized Presbyteries obeyed this direction and appointed each at their fall meetings a Presbyterial Publication Committee. To every Committee so appointed, the Corresponding Secretary has sent a communication explaining the colportage work and plans of the Board, and a considerable number of Presbyteries already have presbyterial colporteurs at work according to these arrangements, which, in their newly modified form, are received everywhere with great favor.

A considerable number of Presbyteries, however, have up to this time failed to do so, and the work is hindered within their bounds by this failure to act. As the fall meetings of the Presbyteries are now approaching, we earnestly appeal to the Stated Clerks of those Presbyteries which have not acted, to bring up this matter and secure the appointment of Presbyterial Publication Committees at that time.

Where such committees may be appointed at the approaching meetings of Presbyteries, their Clerks are respectfully requested to inform the undersigned, giving the names and post-office addresses of all the committee-men, (especially ruling elders,) so that he may without delay or difficulty communicate with them.

Should any of the Presbyteries which have already acted, make any

*changes* in the membership of their Publication Committees, the Stated Clerks of such Presbyteries are also requested to communicate the names and addresses of the newly appointed committee-men.

W. E. SCHENCK,  
*Cor. Sec. of the Board of Publication.*

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#### SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

The General Assembly of 1871 took the following action with regard to the entrance by the Board of Publication upon an enlarged Sabbath-school work—action that will be enthusiastically received by multitudes in our Church, and earnestly carried out by the Board.

1st. That the Board of Publication be instructed so to enlarge its arrangements as to make the Sabbath-school work a prominent and organic part of its operations, and that it is exceedingly desirable that the entire congregations in our church, old and young, be permanently connected with the Sabbath-school, either as scholars or teachers.

2d. That the Board, so enlarged in the sphere of its operations, keep before it these three branches of the Sabbath-school work :

(A.) To furnish a complete literature for Sabbath-schools—consisting of its own and other well-selected books for libraries, helps of all kinds for the study of the Scriptures and Catechism, periodicals for teachers and scholars, and all other apparatus fitted to give efficiency to the work of teaching.

(B.) To establish such agencies as it may deem suitable for elevating the standard of teaching, and more thoroughly developing the great idea of Sabbath-schools,—that of imparting the knowledge of God to the young, and drawing them to the salvation of Christ.

(C.) In appointing Colporteurs, as far as possible, to select such persons as may also be suitable for Sabbath-school missionaries, and instruct them to establish Sabbath-schools in destitute localities, under the supervision of the Presbyteries.

3d. That the churches be urged to contribute more largely to the Missionary Fund of this Board to meet the increased expense which the working of this branch of its operations will demand.

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#### VALUABLE BOOKS.

To mention truly valuable books is often conferring an obligation. Under this category we would place two recent publications of Robert Carter & Brothers, New York. They are Hanna's *Life of Christ*, and Dr. McCosh's *Christianity and Positivism*. The latter is a book vigorous in thought, direct, clear, and often eloquent. Our ministers, especially, will find it stimulating and suggestive. The courage with which it grants, or grants hypothetically, what some less deeply studied might deem inimical to inspiration, and with which it grapples with the enemies of inspiration on their own ground, is refreshing as a mountain breeze sweeping over the lowlands. It does not



resist Positivism alone, but attacks and carries the skeptical positions taken by the physical scientist, the mental scientist, and the historical free-thinker. Hanna's *Life of Christ*, in like manner, can be commended to Christian readers. It is truly a capital book, (in three volumes,) wholesome in its religious tone, instructive without the show of scholarship, sprightly and entirely readable. Many intelligent Christians will be glad to have their attention called to it.

These works can be ordered also from the Presbyterian Board of Publication. Price of McCosh \$1.75; of Hanna \$4.50.

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#### A MEXICAN CONVERT.

The converted Mexican priest, Nicholas Aguas, formerly a zealous adherent of Rome, a Dominican friar, a professor of philosophy and theology, has been led to renounce the errors of Rome, and to embrace Evangelical Protestant Christianity, as he states, through the reading of tracts. By these tracts, which he examined as a controversialist and theologian, he learned that he had been ignorant of the views and positions of Protestants, and that they were clinging to the faith of the primitive Church, the Holy Scriptures. He is now preaching with power in the city of Mexico. The unobtrusive voiceless tract can speak to the mind and heart, and carry to them God's great truth. We are sending these pages to Mexico, in the language of the people, with high hopes of the blessing of God upon them. It is a field full of promise, and will repay any effort put forth for its enlightenment.

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#### SIFTING THE BOOKS.

*The New York Observer*, speaking of the character of Sunday-school libraries, says: "A censorship might well be instituted to stem this tide of infantile literature. There are good, sound, improving, interesting, useful books published, and many of them, too. But Sunday-schools and parents would be glad to have a committee to gather the good into shelves, and to throw the bad away."

The Presbyterian Church has made provision for this very thing. Its Board of Publication selects and publishes such books as are adapted to use in Sabbath-schools; and, in addition to this, it examines and sifts the lists of other publishers, so as to add to its own publications those that are desirable from other sources. Any school can get from the Presbyterian Board a library guaranteed to be good. Moreover, if any book sent is found to be objectionable, even after it has been used and damaged, it can be returned, with the objections stated, at the expense of the Board, and its place will be filled by another book.

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#### THE GREAT INQUIRY.

"The Great Inquiry Proposed and Answered," is the title of a recent tract of the Board of Publication worthy of more than ordinary attention. Pastors

and working Christians should examine it. One of our ministers says of it:

"It seems to me so exactly to fill a chasm in our religious literature, that I cannot but tell you how thankful I am that you have, as I believe, made plain the way to the cross of Christ for many an anxious inquiring sinner. I cannot moderate the terms of approval and praise with which I greet it, for I have long felt the need of just such a book to put in the hands of those whom Cuyler calls '*lingers*,' who seem to stand, month after month, at the very threshold of heaven, waiting for God to force them by some overwhelming impulse to enter."

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#### FROM TENNESSEE.

One of our laborers among the freedmen in Tennessee, acknowledging a grant of books and papers from the Board of Publication, says:

"The Sabbath-school books for our colored school at Wells Station came duly to hand, and afforded our people very great satisfaction. One good elder says, 'Tell de brudder we jis hand dat case ober to de Lord; he please jis go dar, and get his pay.'"

"Our work among the freedmen goes on slowly, but hopefully. The Church must not get weary of sustaining us because we cannot report great results, revivals, &c. The whole foundation has to be laid for the building up of an evangelical work among this people, and it will be slow. 'Tis a sad error to suppose the negroes are any more hopeful or anxious for religious improvement than any other class. They have precisely all the characteristics of depravity—nothing more, nothing less—and there is no royal or patent road or invention for elevating or converting men, but the old one—sovereign grace."

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#### KEEP IT IN THE LIBRARY.

*The Presbyterian*, noticing the new and cheap edition of the *Pilgrim's Progress* recently issued by the Board of Publication, well says that "it ought to be put in every Sabbath-school library and kept there, even when other books are allowed to fall out and be forgotten." How is it with your library? Is this glorious book in it? If not, are there not volumes there worth less to your children?

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#### PEW AND PULPIT.

The late Dr. Walter Clarke, of Buffalo, the news of whose death fell so sadly on our ears in the Assembly at Chicago, wrote for the Board of Publication an admirable tract entitled, "Preaching and Hearing." There are hundreds of churches that would be greatly benefited by placing a copy in the pulpit, and one in every pew. Let it be tried. A hundred copies could be sent postpaid for \$1.30.

## A FRIEND IN NEED.

From Minnesota the recipient of a grant thus expresses his thanks :—

I am in receipt of the package of Sabbath-school books for our school, and desire most gratefully to acknowledge the kind donation. The selection you made is a most admirable one, and has given satisfaction to all concerned, whether parents, teachers, or children. If “a friend in need is a friend indeed,” the Board of Publication is just such a friend to us. Our people being few in number and mostly poor, besides having their hands well nigh full in erecting and furnishing our church edifice, the help you have given us is most timely and acceptable. We shall most certainly remember this Board in our collections, and though it is but little we have to give it will be given in the spirit of gratitude and appreciation for favors past received.

## A FRIENDLY NOTICE OF SOME OF OUR RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

It is very satisfactory to receive such a notice as the following from an authority so high as the *American Literary Gazette*. We give it, as it stands in the number for April 15th :

*Mark Thoresby; or, The Evangelist among the Indians.* By the author of “The Story of a Pocket Bible.” Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 351.

*Westward: a Tale of American Emigrant Life.* By Mrs. J. McNair Wright. Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 272.

*Riches without Wings: Illustrated by Lessons from Life.* Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 376.

*Nurse Grand's Reminiscences, and the Neglected Wife.* Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 350.

*Lessons of Experience; or, Tales from Real Life.* Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 383.

*Ruth Hawthorne; or, Led to the Rock.* By E. N. B. Illustrated. 12mo, pp. 330.

The foregoing volumes are models of neatly manufactured books. The bindings are attractive and handsome, and the printing is excellent. The tales they contain are full of interest to young readers, amusing while they instruct, and each teaching some useful lesson of Christian virtue. The Presbyterian Board deserve great credit for the manner in which their books are got up. They are always selected with excellent judgment, and have a most attractive, and consequently saleable, appearance.

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Orwell ch	4 65	<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Augusta ch	5 50
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Indian Creek ch	2 16	<i>Pby of Wabash</i> —Tolona ch	12 70
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<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Holland 2d ch, Mil-		East Buffalo ch	12 15
waukee	30 00	Lower Buffalo ch	6 75
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch	2 34	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Salem ch Sab-sch	10 00
Plattsmouth ch	7 60	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Yorktown ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Tom's River	8 25	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —E L A, Pittsgrove	1 00
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<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Wabash ch	26 00	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Mt Zion ch	12 00
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Mt Lebanon ch	1 60	Waterford ch	3 50
Sharon ch	4 25	Rural Dale ch	6 00
Rehoboth ch	4 10		
Utica ch	2 45		
Jeffersonville ch	37 85		
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ch	29 18		
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ch	35 32		

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## BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

*Corresponding Secretary*, REV. H. R. WILSON, D.D., 30 Vesey Street, New York.  
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The whole Church has been greatly rejoiced by what has been accomplished through the Memorial Committee in the payment of church debts, the securing of manse, the endowment of institutions of learning, &c. The Church, we trust, will feel herself in a much better condition for carrying forward her appropriate work now, than before these things were done. At present, however, we are feeling very painfully the *reaction* which such an effort might be expected to produce—the feeling of exhaustion on the part of those who have given liberally, and that of self-complacency on the part of those who have not given, but are very ready to share in the glory of what “*we*” have done. As the result of this, but very little money is coming in, while applications for aid are wonderfully on the increase. Many churches that began to build, in confident expectation of receiving liberal aid from the Memorial Fund, having been sadly disappointed in that quarter, have fallen back upon the Board of Church Erection, and in the most imploring terms are beseeching us to save them from utter failure. This has entirely exhausted the little surplus we had at the commencement of the year, and has run us not less than ten thousand dollars beyond our means; and yet their applications continue to increase in number, and in the amount of aid asked for. It is hard for us to refuse their applications, and yet it is impossible for us, with an empty treasury, to meet their necessities. What are we to do? Many of them tell us that they have exhausted all their own means, and in vain called upon their friends at a distance to help them. The work on their building has been stopped, and the sheriff about to sell their collected materials to meet the claims of the workmen. Should half the cases reported to us terminate in failure or sacrifice, it will be not only a sad loss of property, but a grievous reproach to the Presbyterian Church, that will more than tarnish our recently acquired glory. Surely no Presbyterian, who has the means to prevent it, will permit such a reproach. While, therefore, we call earnestly upon our friends and churches to give us the means of extricating these congregations from their distress, and saving much church property from being lost, we would at the same time urge all those feeble churches now building or about to build, not to incur one cent of needless expense, and not to ask of the Board more than is absolutely necessary to enable them to complete, free of debt, a plain and uncostly building. We must further inform those who apply to us for aid, that we require, as a condition, the insurance of their church property. For want of this precaution during the past year, a number of church buildings have been lost, and we are called upon a second time to aid in building.

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, JUNE 1871.

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	\$10 00	Lebanon ch	20 00
Carlisle ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Clifton ch	41 25
Esperance ch	7 00	Springfield 2d ch	100 00
Greenbush 1st ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Gallipolis ch	10 83
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Mayfield Central ch	2 00	Ripley ch	12 00
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SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.— <i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Edisto ch		mos ch	25 00
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St Paul ch	2 25	Rock Hill ch	5 00
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Brown Memorial ch		<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Amsterdam ch	2 00
	30 00	Beech Spring ch	20 00
Barton ch	10 00	SYNOD OF COLORADO.— <i>Pby of Colorado</i> —Denver 1st	
Emmitsburg ch	18 02	ch	18 00
Lonaconing ch	10 00	SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Athens</i> —Athens 1st	
Piney Creek ch	6 20	ch	13 25
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Delaware City ch	8 00	<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Brown ch	3 50
Green Hill ch	11 25	Liberty ch	7 50
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington ch, North	9 00	Richland ch	2 50

<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Ashland chj	30 28	Richview ch	10 00
Hayesville ch	11 00	Sharon ch	3 00
McKay ch	7 00	SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i>	
Marshallville ch	1 40	—Bethany ch	11 00
Shelby ch	30 28	Crawfordsville 1st ch	7 25
West Salem ch	3 27	Lebanon ch	4 67
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Brownsville ch	10 50	Lexington ch	12 00
Fairmount ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Fort Wayne 3d ch	8 05
Jersey City ch	8 00	Warsaw 1st ch	4 00
Mt Zion ch	12 80	<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Kentland ch	8 00
Pataskala ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Anderson 1st ch	10 00
Rural Dale ch	5 75	Muncie ch	15 13
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Butler</i> —Mt Nebo ch	8 10	SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —	
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Clarion 1st ch	8 20	Brownsburg ch	8 00
New Rehoboth ch	12 44	Hopewell ch	18 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Corry ch	11 62	Union ch	5 60
Wattsburg ch	9 90	<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Hanover ch	5 90
<i>Pby of Killbuck</i> —Glade Run ch	25 00	<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Richmond ch	10 00
Slate Lick ch	11 00	SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —	
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Clarksville ch	22 22	Big ch	5 80
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ch	33 78	Shellsburgh ch	4 00
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Geneva ch, special	500 09	<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Dubuque 1st ch	24 35
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castle ch	35 00	Lime Springs ch	6 31
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Bradford ch	2 47	Storm Lake ch	1 50
Kylertown ch	2 65	SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Char-	
Logan's Valley ch	15 00	iton ch	4 40
Milesburg ch	13 00	Des Moines Central ch	24 90
Moshannon and Snow Shoe ch	6 50	Newton 1st ch	19 00
Pine Grove ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Birmingham ch	5 50
Shade Gap ch	5 60	West Point ch	3 00
Spruce Creek ch	100 00	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Crawfordsville ch	14 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Chillisquaque ch	3 75	Davenport 1st ch	15 57
Danville ch	2 00	Fairview ch	10 00
Mahoning ch	38 30	Mechanicsville ch	10 00
Mifflinburg ch	9 50	New York ch	1 60
<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Wellsboro' ch	16 00	Washington ch	18 65
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.— <i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —		<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —College Springs ch	2 00
Bement ch	20 00	Turkis ch	2 00
Champaign 1st ch and Sab-sch	46 26	SYNOD OF KANSAS.— <i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Fort Scott ch	
Chenoa ch	7 41		14 75
Clinton ch	27 85	SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Long Island</i> —	
El Paso ch	5 70	Setauket ch	8 00
Towanda ch	12 00	SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Detroit,	
Towanda Sab-sch	2 00	Fort St ch	325 00
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Atlanta ch	4 00	Pontiac ch	15 46
Deer Creek ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Grand Rapids ch, West-	
Galesburg ch	38 60	minster	10 91
Knoxville ch	12 59	<i>Pby of Monroe</i> —Monroe 1st ch	26 00
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Brooklyn ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Midland City ch	5 00
Bushnell ch	5 00	SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Dundas ch	
Appanoose ch	6 80		5 00
Camp Point ch	7 40	Empire ch	4 40
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Huntsville ch	2 10	Forest ch	2 85
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Winnebago ch	9 17	SYNOD OF MISSOURI.— <i>Pby of Osage</i> —Kansas City	
Woodstock ch	5 50	3d ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Aurora ch	8 00	Lexington ch	10 00
Earlville ch	11 00	<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Irondale ch	5 00
Granville ch	10 00	SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Cran-	
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Coal Valley ch	3 00	ford ch	10 00
Edgington ch	5 50	Pluckamin ch	20 00
Geneseo ch	6 00	Springfield ch	15 07
Malden ch	4 50	<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Paterson 1st ch, special	
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Pleasant Ridge ch	2 50	<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Newark, Wickliffe ch	8 43
Princeton 1st ch	23 00	<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Hamilton Square ch	
Princeton 1st ch Sab-sch	5 00		12 74
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —Bethel		Kingston ch	38 00
ch	12 00	Lambertville ch	31 00
Butler ch	8 45	<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Danville ch	7 52
Carrollton ch	18 55	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Bridgeton, West ch	13 50
Elm Point ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Enfield ch	5 00		
Golconda ch	5 00		

(To be continued.)



## RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*

REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Committee of Trustees of the General Assembly report as follows:—

“The Relief Fund” is believed to be one of the best schemes yet devised to lay upon the conscience of the Church the responsibility of providing for those who have faithfully served her. The claim which they who have consecrated themselves to the work of the ministry may justly urge, cannot be enforced for the benefit of themselves before the civil court, but it is recognized in the court of Heaven, and should command the most profound respect in all the judicatories of the Church, and among those who have been blessed by the ministrations of the gospel. It is most gratifying to observe that this *right* is now acknowledged and felt to a greater extent than ever before, and that the heart of the Presbyterian Church is beginning to be stirred up to meet her obligations. There is conscience enough in the Church to be reached on this or any other question, when the truth, as found in the oracles of God, is clearly presented. Is there not love for Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, reverence for the office of the Christian minister as Christ's representative, faith in the Divine promises, prayerful and active piety, liberality of spirit, and sympathy enough to warrant the conviction that when the machinery of the Church is set in motion, it will be possible to secure for her service all that she needs of the wealth in the possession of her people?

The present plan was not hastily formed, but it is the result of repeated and exhaustive discussions of the subject. Its practical operation has justified the expectations of those who were chiefly instrumental in securing its adoption. It is simple, intelligible, practicable, and has moved steadily forward with a success perhaps unprecedented in any of our schemes of church-work. It is *adapted* to meet every case of temporary sickness, or of permanent disability arising from hard service; of disease or advanced age on the part of ministers of the gospel; and likewise every case of want among the widows and orphans of deceased ministers. It brings relief *just when* it is *needed*, and continues so to do *as long as the circumstances require it*. It works effectively and with great economy for the amount of good accomplished; and yet it has thus far done all that was asked. *Not one applicant has ever been refused* where there was *good evidence of a title to aid*. In the great majority of applications the whole amount recommended by a Presbytery, or its Standing Committee, has been granted. If at any time a less sum has been voted, it was for reasons deemed to be proper and satisfactory.

While these appropriations are adjudged to those who have a just title as to creditors whose recompense is due, the receivers have accepted the remittance with as much gladness and thankfulness of heart as if they were wholly undeserving; grateful to God and grateful to his Church for the load of sorrow lifted from the burdened spirit, and for the physical comfort afforded.

This plan has proved itself in the past to be *entirely adequate* to help all who need support, either wholly or in part; and with the vast resources of our great reunited Church, there is no reason why it should not in all future time be *entirely adequate* to every exigency. It throws the whole responsibility *just where God has ordained that it should rest,—on the Church,—the whole Church*, and it is

believed that the great body of the elders, deacons, and people of our Presbyterian household stand ready to accept the charge at the hands of the great Head of the Church, and with cheerful and obedient hearts to do their duty, and their whole duty, in the premises.

Since the reunion and the reconstruction consequent upon the action of the last Assembly, the Presbyteries have been appointing their committees and making arrangements for more systematic operations; and there is a hopeful prospect that the organization for effective work throughout all our borders will be soon completed.

In carrying forward this cause there are mainly *two things* to be done through the agency of Presbyteries and Presbyterial Committees; the first is to *raise the needed funds* by stirring up all the churches, and furnishing each individual in our congregations with an opportunity to share in the good work; the second is to *search for and find, every case that requires attention*, and to lay the application before the Committee on the Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers. There ought to be no waiting for applications from the needy themselves. Let no one pine in want and in sorrow of soul for that which the Church ought to give, can give, and is willing to give. The example of the patriarch is worthy of imitation, for he said: "The cause that I knew not I searched out." When both branches of this work,—the *raising of funds* and *searching out the needy*—are performed by the Presbyteries conscientiously, kindly, systematically, efficiently, thoroughly; and when the Committee on the Fund discharge their duty, the work is done, so far as the possibilities of the case admit.

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN JULY 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —Albany 2d ch	Hector, N Y, ch	3 00
\$151 01	From Memorial Fund Committee, 1st ch	
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Washington</i>	Baltimore, Md	500 00
City—Georgetown. Bridge St ch	Madison, N J, ch	61 25
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Brown Memorial ch	Buffalo, N Y, "A member of North ch"	2 00
Chestnut Grove ch	Bloomsburg, Pa, "Mrs M L N"	10 00
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—Cincinnati Synod	Wellsville, Ohio, from "S T N"	10 00
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Dayton 3d ch	Bucyrus, Ohio, from "three children," per	
114 00	J H Sherrard	5 00
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —	New York City, Washington Heights ch	48 50
R A Kirk, Memorial Fund, Ellsworth		18 31
ch		196 00
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Athens</i> —Middle-	Prattsburg, N Y, ch	18 31
port ch	Port-mouth, Ohio, 1st ch	196 00
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Meck-	Westfield, N J, interest on legacy of Mrs	
lenburg ch	H Aiken	5 64
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —	Masonville, N Y, ch	4 00
Carlisle 1st ch	Morristown, N J, South St ch, Miss Nancy	
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Bedford ch	E Ford, Memorial Fund	5 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Lewisburg ch	Throgs Neck, N Y, 1st ch	40 00
38 56	Danville, Pa, Mrs Dr W H Magill	1 00
SYNOD OF INDIANA SOUTH.— <i>Pby of New</i>	Lawrenceville, N J, "From Mary in	
Albany—Pleasant Township ch	Heaven"	100 00
Jefferson ch	Detroit, Mich, from M W Birchard of 1st	
SYNOD OF IOWA NORTH.— <i>Pby of Cedar</i>	ch, Memorial Fund	25 00
Rapids—Scotch Grove ch	Aurora, N Y, ch	23 48
10 00	Chaumont, N Y, ch	10 00
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —	Walnut Hills, Ohio, 1st ch	14 21
Williamsburg South Third St ch	Venice, Ohio, ch	26 00
45 29	Bantam, Ohio, ch	3 00
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —	Buck Creek, Ohio, ch	13 00
Allentown ch	Mrs Cornelia S Smith of Masonville, ch,	
22 10	Iowa, Memorial Fund	5 00
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of West Chester</i> —	Fairfield, N J, ch	20 00
New Rochelle ch, balance of Me-	Port Jervis, N Y, ch	16 25
memorial Fund	Lewistown, Ill, "Myron Phelps and	
401 83	Family"	50 00
SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Philadel-</i>	Morristown, N J, 1st ch	22 03
phia—Calvary ch	Stanford, Conn, 1st ch	245 33
Member of the 10th ch	Camden, N J, "A family in 1st ch"	20 00
5 00	Interest on Permanent Fund	846 02
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —		
A member of Lawrenceville ch		
10 00		
SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Lake Superior</i>		
—Marquette 1st ch		
50 00		
<i>The following omitted to mention Presbyteries or</i>		
<i>Synods.</i>		
Annapolis, Md, ch, donated by Rev D Mc-	Total receipts in July	\$3,679 17
Laren, Memorial Fund	CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer.	
100 00	Office, 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.	
Elizabeth, N J, 3d ch		
63 20		

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

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## FINANCIAL.

For some months past, but a very small amount of money from the churches has reached our treasury, and the current expense of our work is now being met only by *borrowing*—and not until late in *December* next can our Committee expect to receive proceeds from the general collections appointed for the first Sabbath of that month.

But there are many churches (over 3,000) in our communion, which made *no* contribution to our treasury in the past year; there may be others which prefer an *earlier* date for their collections than that named; and still others which may have collected funds *not yet sent in*; from each of these classes we respectfully but earnestly ask **PRESENT HELP**.

☞ Our Committee and its work having been “urgently” commended by the General Assembly at its late meeting, “to the prompt and large liberality of all our churches and people,” may we not earnestly hope that no church, in arranging its schedule of collections for the year, will fail to give a place to the *Presbyterian Committee of Missions for Freedmen*?

## EXTRACTS FROM MISSIONARY REPORTS FOR JULY.

FROM A MISSIONARY (white,) in N. C. I have preached to all my churches the past month. Last Sabbath preached twice at L——, and once in town. L—— is prospering—large attentive congregation, preached with much liberty on the *sting* of death. Sabbath-School doing quite well. Took up a small collection to pay postage, amount 30 cts.

Sabbath before last rode thirty-two miles, and preached twice at C—— River Church, and in town at night. House jam-full at C——. Meeting solemn and impressive. Sabbath-School is now supplied with papers semi-monthly—and I gave them some old books we had here. They are much pleased with them. Collection to pay for a hand bell for the church.

N. C. Church, nothing special. The day of my last appointment there I went to preach the funeral sermon of Daniel Freeland, ruling elder in C—— Church—very large funeral. The two maiden ladies to whom he formerly belonged manifested a deep respect and affection for him. They went to the grave sitting in the wagon by the coffin.

S—— Church still prospers. Large turn out last Sabbath night; prayer-meeting large; night school again; monthly collections the past month by the Sabbath-School \$2.72; by congregation \$3.37=6.09; the largest we have raised in one day. Part, \$2.72, went to pay for the church bell; balance to the sexton.

The splendid bell arrived July 4, and was hung last Saturday—cost about \$95.00, freight and all. We hear of several scholars coming, at our next session of school, from abroad.

FROM A MISSIONARY, (colored,) in N. C. Since my last report, I have preached at both of my churches in Robeson Co., from which I have been kept for a long



while, on account of the long-continued troubles there. No one could have received a more cordial welcome than was given me, not only by my churches, but by the Scotch also, who worship with us regularly at P——.

Both of these churches maintain a lively degree of piety, and support the means of grace with earnestness and constancy. On Friday night before the third Sabbath of July, I preached at L—— to a good and attentive congregation; went to P—— on Saturday, where I preached on Sabbath, A.M.; after which I rode back to L—— in our springless cart-wheel buggy, and preached at night to a good congregation, notwithstanding the prevalence of a heavy storm. Our congregation at P—— was so large that we were compelled to worship in the grove, where we have a very substantial stand erected. So earnest did the piety of the people appear, and so sweetly did their voices ring through our beautiful grove, that I believe we all felt it was the very gate of heaven to our souls.

Both white and colored here blend in sweet and hearty communion, and one man, an elder in the P—— Church, (Pres.) has been absent but once since I have been visiting this county. He is an aged cripple, of much intelligence, and was, I believe, an extensive slave-holder. Our people very kindly and readily remove him from and return him to his vehicle.

FROM A MISSIONARY, (white,) in S. C. The month just closed, I think, has been the best I ever spent on this field. I have had fourteen religious services, and S—— and R——, (colored assistants,) have been very diligent in their labors. Our congregations have been large and inclined to serious attention.

We have just closed a three-days-meeting at O——, in which the Spirit of the Lord seemed to be very manifestly present. About thirty were professedly seeking salvation, and some give evidence of conversion.

#### DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN JULY, 1871.

Central ch, Presby of Pittsburgh, for Scotia Seminary	\$75 00	Phillips ch, New York	32 00
Salem ch, Ohio	18 00	Henry Hartzell, North Benton, O, Memorial	20 00
Second ch, St Louis, Mo	340 00	Jennie Reed, North Benton, O, Memorial	20 00
Rev W H Hillis and wife, Gettysburgh ch, Biddle Institute	10 00	Stewart Taylor, North Benton, O, Memorial	10 00
R G McCreary and wife, Gettysburgh ch, Biddle Institute	50 00	Third ch, Philadelphia, Pa, Memorial	5 00
Edward McPherson, Gettysburgh ch, Biddle Institute	100 00	Central ch, Circleville, O	17 65
Whippany ch, Presby of Morris and Orange	10 00		\$2,757 19
Mary Vance, Washington, Pa	5 00	<i>Money received and expended in the Field.</i>	
Madison ch, Presby of Zanesville	28 00	<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Wallingford Academy	22 20;
Rev G S Boardman, Utica, N Y	14 99	Ebenezer ch 8; Knox Plantation sch	90 cts;
Scotch ch, Presby of New York	86 00	St Andrews ch 2 05; St Paul's ch 1 75; Salem ch 2 50	37 40
First ch, East Orange, Presby of Morris and Orange	22 27	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Charlotte sch	29 16
Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, Presby of New York	1,713 75	<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Blackstock ch 6; Calvary ch 12 40; Winstonsboro' sch 1 45	19 85
Darnestown ch, Presby of Washington City	2 05	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Greeneville sch	1 23
Bangor ch, Presby of Lehigh	2 00	<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch 30 30; Union Point ch 5	35 30
Second ch, Middletown, Presby of Hudson	14 55	<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Louisville ch	10 45
East Hampton ch, Presby of Long Island	13 95	<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch	15 00
First Congregational ch, Sidney Plains, N Y	7 67	<i>Pby of Union</i> —New Market (St Luke's) ch 1 50; Strawberry Plains (Calvary) ch and sch 11	12 50
First ch, West Liberty, Presby of Bellfontaine	4 99	<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Gold Hill ch 2; Greensboro' ch 6; Lexington ch 6; Lincoln Road ch 1 25; Mebanesville sch 4 65; Oakland ch 3; Salisbury ch 1 90	24 80
"J M," Philadelphia, Pa	10 00	<i>No Presbyterial connection—</i>	
First ch, Coudersport, Pa	5 00	Freedmen's Chapel, Va 1; Fredericksburg sch, Va 1 50; Winchester sch, Va 2 75; Morristown sch, Tenn 2	7 25
First ch, Stillwater, Minn	18 00		\$192 96
Wayne and Chester ch, Presby of Wooster	5 50	JAMES ALLISON, Treasurer,	
"D M L," Annapolis, Md	20 00	Lock Box 43, Pittsburgh, Pa.	
Mrs E Sutphen, Sweden, N Y	5 00		
Sab-sch of Sweden, N Y	6 82		
Mrs Wm Neal, Bloomsburg, Pa	10 00		
Shrewsbury ch, Presby of Monmouth	12 00		
Samuel McLaughlin, Hookstown, Pa	5 00		
Elizabethon ch, Tenn, Presby of Holston	2 00		
Brady's Bend ch, Presby of Kittanning	23 00		
First ch, Alexandria, Va	2 00		
Assembly ch, Presby of Winnebago	10 00		

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

OUR COUNTRY.

ENTHUSIASM OF MISSIONARIES CONCERNING IT.

It is a pleasant thing to see any pastor in love with his parish, or missionary in love with his field. And it is quite amusing to receive letters from missionaries in different parts of the West, rehearsing the beauties and excellencies each of his particular section of the great field, and framing arguments why we should bestow special care on that part which is under their own observation.

The following letters will illustrate our meaning, not that the testimony they afford is any different from what we have from scores of others, in other parts of the country, but because these have just come to hand.

Our country is a great country, and full of promise. Our brethren are none of them too sanguine or too anxious to plant any section with churches and occupy it with missionaries.

The first letter is from North East, Mo., and is as follows:

*Dear Brethren,*—I take the liberty of addressing you personally on the great subject of missions in this State. You know I am an old pioneer. I came here in 1827. Have had some experience in Home Missions.

In the first place: In every place where there are people, there is a class that are reached only by our church. I could give many instances of the kind. I am satisfied a Presbyterian church can be built up under the Divine blessing anywhere, by faith and patient work. Our church is essential to the spiritual prosperity of the other denominations.

2d. *The world and errorists*, I am sorry to add, seem more opposed to us than to any other church. We have all this to encounter, so that we need to be sustained until we get fairly on our feet. We have to create a taste for our kind of preaching and church order. There is no community where this cannot be done. We can dip down to the lowest strata of society as well as reach the highest. All that is wanted is the right kind of man sustained until God enables him to mould public opinion. All this State is thus open to us and calling for our aid.

3d. Whilst I do not underrate any field in our broad land, yet *I do think that the country from St. Louis to Keokuk on both sides of the Mississippi River for from fifty to a hundred miles east and west, is the cream of this vast valley.* It will be the great centre of population, wealth, and intelligence, and as a matter of course, of influence. If not largely possessed by us, will be possessed by the man of *sin* and his miserable minions. This the Jesuits know, and they are expending all their power to occupy this country and dispossess us.

Now take your map and look at the whole extent of the country; view its soil, its minerals, and what is now, and must be in the near future, the business of this section of our country, and can you come to any other conclusion than that I have just stated? The towns along the Mississippi River will be large cities and great marts of commerce. What are they to be, Protestant or Papist? Look at ——— to-day! Overshadowed by the Beast. There is something wrong in this, some fault somewhere. You will judge for yourself.

In 1866 both branches of our church had only twelve or fourteen churches. All the self-sustaining except two, went with the D. and T., and left us with the weak churches and the unoccupied field. We now have forty-three churches and twenty ministers, with new fields constantly opening to us and inviting us to occupy. Nearly all our ministers are aided by the Board, for the obvious reason that church buildings have to be erected; and further, the mass of our members are new comers with limited means. Yet with all this we are making great progress. We are clearing away the debris, and beginning to build. After the foundation is well laid, the superstructure will go up rapidly, with God's blessing. We must be *helped* now, just now, and encouraged in the work, or the hearts of the workmen will become faint, and the *work fail*. We must have more men—they must be sustained until they can be sustained on the field, which will not be very long.

We are doing without a District Secretary, or Presbyterian missionary, and doing the work through the Committee on Missions. They are doing a good work in waking up the churches to supporting their ministers and general beneficence. If I am not very much mistaken in the near future, this Presbytery will not be behind any sister Presbytery. The idea of the Board seems to be that only Presbyterians are to be cared for, and their operations to follow them in their immigration. If I am correct in my supposition, it is a great mistake. All men are to be preached to, and gathered into the Presbyterian fold. This can be done. I have never found the place, however preoccupied by others, that a Presbyterian church cannot be planted and built up. By the grace of God I have done it.

The next letter pertains to the almost unknown country, southwest Kansas, or along the line of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, stretching out westward and southwestward from Emporia, Kansas.

If you have a map of Hutchinson's Kansas, please open at page 107, and read Hohneck's description of the region west of Fort Zarah, on Walnut Creek, then look at the map in the back of the book, at Ness and Rush counties. I met at L—— a young man who was one of the Governor's surveying party through that region, and he described it as far the best region



he ever saw, and marked on my map over that region the word "superlative." While northwest from that region he said was the most rocky and desolate region of the State, lying in T—— county and southwestward. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad will be at Fort Zarah this coming season, and there will be a rush for that "superlative" region, and so our work will go on, ever on.

The following is from a State that is rising in importance every day:

NEBRASKA.

Nebraska will be one of the great States of the West at no distant day. Its soil is exceedingly fertile. No more beautiful valleys can be found than those of the Platte, Papillion, Elkhorn, Wood River, Salt Creek, Nemaha, Republican and other streams. The uplands are beautiful rolling prairies with a most productive soil. All the grains and fruits of the Middle States can be raised here. Grapes and peaches are bearing well this summer.

An association has just been formed for forest and fruit tree planting, along the valley of the Platte. There are extensive branches at Nebraska City, Brownsville and other points. The great inducements offered by Nebraska to settlers are just becoming known, and hence settlers are now flocking in. The Union Pacific Land Office has sold this year, during seven months, over 111,000 acres of land to seven hundred and nineteen persons, representing about four thousand people. In the Government land office more than double that amount has been sold, and as much of this is in "homesteads" of eighty acres, a much larger number of persons have settled on these lands than the other.

The sales of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad have been large. And competent and reliable judges think it safe to estimate the increase of our population during 1871 at not less than 40,000.

Many colonies are forming. The Michigan and Nebraska Colony expect to settle two hundred and fifty families near North Platte. Another colony has obtained 40,000 acres of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad Company, in the southern portion of the State, and propose to erect churches and schools at once, and begin with all the appliances of civilized life at once.

As to our Church and its wants, the writer adds:

"The State of Nebraska has forty counties, some of them as large as a New England State. In twenty counties we have organized churches, large and small. We have twenty-seven churches in the State; of these some of the more important are now, and have been vacant for months. Other churches might be organized and fine opportunities be secured to our Church had we but the man to attend to this work; and if our Church is to secure its proper place in this State, we must work with wisdom, zeal, and energy, as though we intended to accomplish something. The Methodist Episcopal Church has four presiding elders in the State, who act as district missionaries, organize churches, secure lots for churches and parsonages, and obtain contributions from all classes of the people, by the claim that they are the first on the

ground. The Baptists, the Congregationalists, and the Lutherans, have each a State Missionary, who gives his whole time to the work. The active and popular bishop of the Episcopal Church is organizing parishes and erecting churches. If we would not be the last in the field and see all the growing towns pre-occupied, we must enter on an active missionary work now. But we have no man to give his time and interest to this work. We would therefore represent that we believe it to be indispensable to the success of our missionary operations in Nebraska, that a District Missionary should be appointed at once to labor in this State, and would therefore recommend such an appointment."

#### FROM THE SYNODICAL MISSIONARY IN INDIANA.

The union of the two Assemblies, and the uniting in many towns in the State of two churches, and the facts growing out of this state of things, has made about twice the work to be done in my line of business in comparison with other years.

When two churches united, both the ministers ordinarily left, and this, with other reasons, gave us six months ago many more vacant churches than both bodies had ever before known at one time.

Each of the eight Presbyteries have an efficient Home Mission Committee, and all coöperate harmoniously and heartily with me, and together we have seen fifty vacant churches supplied since September 1st, 1870. Many of these are good strong churches, such as Wabash, Peru, Plymouth, Crown Point, Anderson, New Castle, Shelbyville, Connersville, Columbus, Vernon, Edinburg, Danville, Rising Sun, Fort Wayne 3d, &c. In some cases the supplying has left others vacant; so with these we have quite a number destitute still. Some of these are in correspondence with ministers, and in a few cases we shall get theological students to help us in their vacations.

*It is worthy of remark and of thanksgiving,* that in our meetings of Synods and Presbyteries, not an unpleasant word about old issues has been spoken, or any thing done to revive the old quarrels; and in this large number of churches supplied, they have not seemed

to care from which of the two old Assemblies they received their ministers.

There has been quite a number of churches organized, and of meeting-houses built or repaired, but these have, no doubt, been reported by the missionaries.

The revivals in the State have not been quite so numerous or powerful as the year closing May 1st, 1870, and still there has been some precious meetings in a good number of our churches, and the Minutes of the Assembly will show quite a large addition on examination.

#### OHIO.

##### A NEW ENTERPRISE IN CLEVELAND.

Prospects for the ensuing year are very good. The congregation is slowly but steadily increasing. The arrangements for collecting the salary and funds needed for Sabbath-school and congregational purposes works admirably, and will secure larger contributions to the Boards than we have been able to secure the past year.

The prayer-meetings during the year have been well attended. During the past month there have been several conversions, and others are now seeking the Saviour.

The Sabbath-school is under excellent management, and in several of the classes more than usual interest is manifested. Some from the Sabbath-school have already united with the church and others are coming.

We need a new building for Sabbath-school and church purposes very much

indeed. The new lot, costing a little over four thousand dollars, has been paid for entirely, and some three hundred dollars in bank, with four thousand dollars more subscribed for our church building.

We hope to have the building erected before October 1st, if the Lord prospers us, and, what is more, paid for.

## FROM A HOME MISSIONARY.

### RESPONSE TO A CIRCULAR.

*Dear Brethren*,—Enclosed please find twelve dollars for the suffering *home missionaries on the frontier*, from Mrs. T—, (my wife,) and Miss Myra K—, her sister. You are aware that I am a home missionary. Our resources are limited, and we are growing old, and may soon be unable to labor. But we feel deeply for those who are suffering, and are disposed to share with them.

Mrs. T— and sister have a little of their own, out of which this contribution is made.

Out of your last remittance, (duly received and thankfully,) a portion is set aside for a kindred object. To do this, we dispense with some things usually deemed necessary.

Our little church, numbering only about thirty-five, are working hard to cancel a debt on the manse, of about five hundred and fifty dollars. We hope to report it *paid* at Presbytery next week. We have expended sixty dollars on the church. In all, over six hundred dollars on the Memorial.

As ever yours, E. W. T.

## IOWA.

### STEADY GROWTH.

*Dear Brother*:—Once more I beg to forward my usual quarterly report, as your missionary in this part of the home field.

1st. *Members*.—Since my last report we have had one communion. It was a delightful occasion. Although only two persons joined the church, yet more people sat down with us at the

table of the Lord than I ever saw in this place, proving that we are gaining steadily on the affections of the God-fearing people of this locality. Several of our members talk of leaving this parish; but they all express regret at losing the happy and delightful exercises of Divine worship as conducted in our dear little prairie church. Not a communion season has passed since I came here that we have not had accessions. I think only one may be excepted. The population is fluctuating; but our increase has been steady, and our defections few, and absolutely not one for immorality since I have taken this parish in charge.

2d. *Finances*.—The failure for the last two or three seasons in our wheat crops has much affected our prospects as a church. My purse has suffered greatly. Yet we have tried to keep the enterprise clear of debt, and have succeeded so far. I am fully aware of our relations to the Board, and should be glad if the few sentences that so pointedly refer to all similar cases were brought under the notice of all our people. But you must bear with us a little longer. Since my appointment to Malcom, my constant care has been to make the church as little burdensome as possible on the Board. We have had much to contend with; and our poverty, and not our will, consents to our still needing and asking for assistance from you. Nominally in receipt \$1000, I shall be glad if I get \$800. There is no chance of realizing the \$100 of which you, in your need I suppose, docked off us. I don't repine; but deprecate further reduction till we get a little better off. Many of my members don't give a cent; and it requires time to train them to better habits. Several are Scotch, and come from churches of large membership and small individual subscription. Time is needed to train these to American manners and American liberality. The Baptists have had regular preaching for several months past; it don't affect our attendance, although it touches our income. So



with the Universalists. Still, I repeat, our numbers are not affected, for the Methodists, Baptists, and Universalists, all taken together, have not one-half the numbers attending the Presbyterian Church; but several of their members used to subscribe for us, and whose money will now flow into the other denominations.

3d. *Dedication*.—I must tell you something of this. Last Sunday morning we dedicated our house to the worship of Almighty God. We had a great success. The Presbyterians stand higher in public esteem than ever. I only wish I had a larger population, and then, by God's grace and earnest endeavor to work, I should hope to prove to you that I am not unworthy of your confidence and support.

Yours in Christ.

#### A CHURCH BLOWN DOWN.

*Dear Brother*,—Since I reported to you last, our town was visited by a terrific storm, from which many suffered, and which did great damage to our church, which had then been completed only a few weeks. This, of course, occasioned the suspension during the warm weather of all our services, preaching, Sabbath-school, and prayer-meetings. We have since had the building repaired and are now commencing work again with encouraging prospects.

A few weeks ago a little church was organized at Walnut, a station on the railroad between this place and Avoca. I suppose it will devolve on me to supply it for a time, going out from Avoca when I can.

Yours fraternally, H.

#### BUILDING A CHURCH.

*Dear Brethren*,—With thankfulness to a kind Providence, in permitting me to labor steadily through another year, I proceed to pen my fourth quarterly report to the Board.

All my appointments have been regularly met and filled. The congregations and stations are in a healthful state. There are a few new settlers that have come in recently, who have

certificates which have not yet been handed in, but will be, when opportunity is afforded, which will be shortly, as the throng of the work season will soon be over.

We have not had a communion at this place for a while, for want of a suitable place to hold it. But we do not expect to be very long without it. Our church building is progressing finely. In about two weeks, the weather continuing favorable, the masons will have the brick-work completed, ready for roofing, which will be put on in a few days, and the basement story finished, ready for use, then we shall be at home. A great need will then have been supplied, and a heavy drawback removed.

The building is of brick. The size is thirty-two by fifty feet, with basement.

The town is improving somewhat. A branch railroad is now a fixed fact, connecting Chariton, on the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad, with Cameron, on the Quincy and St. Jo' Road in Missouri.

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#### KANSAS.

I have just closed the last quarter of my first year of labor as a Home Missionary. The work of the last quarter has been very similar in character to that of the rest of the year, with the exception that in accordance with the suggestion of my people, I omitted the evening services in my church during five Sabbaths in the heat of August. During this time I went out and preached at a school-house in a bend of the Kansas River, where the people have had no preaching during the past two or three years. My congregations there were very good indeed, and although all denominations were represented, yet they came out well. By extra effort in this direction I think my church in this place will be very much enlarged in the future. I renew the evening service in my church next Sabbath, and when I preach twice in my own church it is about all I can do as a regular work. Our church is every day assuming

greater importance in this place. Since I sent in the report of last quarter, our people have made a noble effort, and have paid off the debt for seating the church. They have thus raised about seven hundred and fifty dollars this season for seating the church, besides paying my salary, which, with the \$3225.80 of last year, I think is a good work for this little society of only forty-three members. But we have still a debt of about seventeen hundred dollars, which hangs as a great burden upon us, and will necessitate our dependence upon the Home Missionary Board at least another year.

The present quarter has not been marked by any special work of Divine grace. Indeed, the spirit of worldliness and the service of mammon prevail so

extensively in this new western country that the gospel does not meet with the reception that it should. The people have to be visited, and receive "line upon line and precept upon precept" in reference to their duty. They need catechetical instruction and careful training in the good old way of our Presbyterian Church. Kansas as a State is peopled by thousands of families who regard not the Sabbath, and have little respect for religion. They have come West to improve their condition financially, and the service of God is not in all their thoughts. In many respects, however, God's blessing has signally rested upon us as a church, and we hope that our efforts here may soon result in great spiritual good in this entire region.

### HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN AUGUST, 1871.

Rev. J. S. Glendenning, Jersey City, Prospect Avenue ch., N. J.  
 Rev. R. A. Brown, Philadelphia, Trinity ch., Pa.  
 Rev. Geo. Locker, Philadelphia, Ger. ch., Pa.  
 Rev. Thos. Thompson, Doe Run and Unionville chs., Pa.  
 Rev. W. H. Bay, Tuppens Plains and Carthage chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. J. A. Meeks, Ada, Riley Creek, and North Bethel chs., Ohio.  
 Rev. S. Carrick Kerr, Mt. Jefferson ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. D. W. Cooper, Wapakoneta ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. E. R. Chase, Clyde ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. Samuel Ward, Claiborne and Howesville chs., Ind.  
 Rev. C. K. Smoyer, Nokomis and Moweaqua chs., Ill.  
 Rev. Donald Fletcher, Elgin ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Alex. Bartlett, New Providence ch., Tenn.  
 Rev. A. Spencer, Davisville and Williamston chs., Mich.  
 Rev. R. C. Swinton, Lima ch., Wis.  
 Rev. Jean Grob, West Granville ch. and Richland Station, Wis.  
 Rev. John Berk, Rockville ch., Wis.  
 Rev. W. M. Hoyt, Middletown ch., Wis.

Rev. E. Jamieson, Robinsonville, Belgian ch., Wis.  
 Rev. D. W. James, Cambria ch., Wis.  
 Rev. A. J. Stead, Chippewa Falls ch., Wis.  
 Rev. Wm. Kendrick, Moulton ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. Alex. M. Darley, Cherokee and Storm Lake chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Jas. J. Wilson, Pleasant Prairie ch., Mo.  
 Rev. C. H. Dunlap, Sedalia ch., Mo.  
 Rev. A. D. Laughlin, Millard and Wilson chs., Mo.  
 Rev. John Elliott, Ottawa ch., Kansas.  
 Rev. W. W. Curtis, Lyndon and Osage City chs., Kansas.  
 Rev. Josiah Welch, for Montana.  
 Rev. C. W. Winnie, for Minnesota.  
 Rev. Henry J. Brown, Detroit, Calvary Mission, Mich.  
 Rev. A. Scofield, California and Algansee chs., Mich.  
 Rev. A. Fitz Randolph, Bedford and Fairview chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. S. L. McAfee, Red Oak Junction and Valisca chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. E. S. Scott, Shelby County, Iowa.  
 Rev. Wm. Ellers, Mine La Motte ch., Mo.

### RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN AUGUST, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Columbia*—Jewett ch 8 05. *Pby of Troy*—Waterford ch, quarterly coll 67 34; Schaghticoke ch 97 \$172 39

SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Catawba*—Duncan's Creek ch 5 00

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Ellicott City ch 52 00

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Rev Jas Shaw, D.D. and family 21. *Pby of Mahoning*—Kinsman ch 56 35; Poland ch 130, less Record 5 = 125. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Nottingham ch

41 55; Buffalo ch 22 60; Concord ch 46 50. *Pby of Steubenville*—Centre Unity ch, balance of Hanna Fund 25; Salineville ch 11 50; Bethel ch 12 95; Bethesda ch 10; Harrisburgh ch 4

379 45

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Zanesville*—Coshoc-ton ch

35 00

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Erie*—Waterford 1st ch 14 75. *Pby of Kittanning*—Kittanning 1st ch 1164 26; Curries Run ch 11 10 *Pby of Shenango*—Hopewell ch 8

1,198 11

SYNOD OF HARRISBURGH.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Petersburg ch 5; Rocky Spring and St Thomas chs, estate of Matthew Patton, dec'd 5. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Lewistown ch 70

80 00

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Bement ch 37 50. *Pby of Schuyler*—Warsaw 1st ch 12. *Pby of Springfield*—Beardstown Ger ch, Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y 25; Chatham ch 6 50 81 00

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Ninth ch Chicago 61 57; Thornton ch, add'l 1 50; Peotone ch 4 50; Chicago 4th ch 190; Joliet 1st ch, add'l 2 55. *Pby of Rock River*—Beulah ch Sab-sch 3 65, of which 1 50, contents of Charlie and Susie Fisk's missionary box; Sterling ch 150; Edwards ch 2

415 77

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Chester ch 12 50. *Pby of Cairo*—Udin ch 2 83; Mt Vernon ch 50

65 33

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Montezuma ch 4 50; Wea ch 1 50. *Pby of Muncie*—Union ch 25 12

31 12

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of White Water*—Fairfield ch

5 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Central ch

17 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Iowa*—Evangelical St Peters Ger ch 10 85; Rev James Welch 5; Chequest ch 5. *Pby of Iowa City*—Cedar Valley ch 6 50

27 35

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Topeka*—Oskaloosa ch

5 90

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Louisville*—Hopkinsville ch, from Roger Thompson 3. *Pby of Transylvania*—Mumfordsville ch 50; Edmund-ton ch 4

57 00

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St, add'l 28 64, mon con; Brooklyn 2d ch Sab-sch 100, add'l; Throop Ave ch, Brooklyn 18 25, mon coll; Rev P J H Myers 10. *Pby of Long Island*—West Hampton ch 27; Speonk ch 5. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch 100

288 89

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Kalamazoo*—Con-stantine ch 14. *Pby of Monroe*—Monroe 1st ch 30

44 00

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Oak Grove ch

16 85

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of St Louis*—Kirk-wood ch

15 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Jersey City*—Englewood ch 550. *Pby of Monmouth*—Red Bank ch, in part 18. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Myersville Ger ch 7 39; Morristown 1st ch 97 11, quarterly coll; Madison ch 229 23; Mount Olive ch 31. *Pby of Newton*—Newton ch 245 83. *Pby of West Jersey*—Pittsgrove ch 46 10, add'l; Vine-land 1st ch 5; Bridgeton 2d ch 44 90

1,307 11

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Hudson*—Palisades ch 102 98; Cohecton ch 6 50. *Pby of New York*—Madison Square ch 100, add'l; Rutgers St ch Miss'y Soc'y 97 51. *Pby of North River*—Cold Spring ch 10, mon coll. *Pby of Westchester*—Greenburg 1st ch, Dobb's Ferry 10; New Rochelle ch, add'l 22 50, Memorial; Croton Falls ch 8

357 49

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Benicia*—Shiloh ch 12. *Pby of San Francisco*—Olivet ch, San Fran-cisco 16

28 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—West Chester ch 50; Darby 2d ch 16 50; Upper West Nottingham ch, add'l 5. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Plymouth ch 14. *Pby of Lehigh*—Ashland ch 5. *Pby of Philadelphia North*—Holmesburg ch Sab-

sch 22 86; Pottstown ch 34 10. *Pby of West-minster*—Pequea ch 60

207 46

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Cannonsburg ch 23; Long Island ch 5 25; Lawrenceville ch 31. *Pby of Washington*—Wheeling 1st ch 39 75, add'l. *Pby of West Vir-ginia*—Centerville ch 6

102 00

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Union*—Rev Wm H Lyle

5 00

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Tomp-kins 1st ch 29. *Pby of Otsego*—L E R 5; Coopers-town ch 250. *Pby of Syracuse*—Hannibal ch, from S W Brewster, Esq 50; Cazenovia ch 214 60. *Pby of Utica*—Forestport and Alden Creek chs 3 71; Grant ch 4; South Trenton ch 1 25

557 56

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Rochester*—Charlotte ch 15 50; Nunda ch 60

75 50

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Milwaukee*—Dela-field and Ottawa chs 10 00. *Pby of Winnebago*—Omro ch 15, mon con

25 00

Total received from churches, \$5,657 28

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Miss Sarah Downs, dec'd, late of Downsville, N Y 1800; Legacy of Sarah McLaughlin, dec'd, late of Beatty, Pa 100, less col int tax 5 = 95; Ferry Ministry Fund 75; Legacy of John S Wilkin, dec'd, late of Washing-ton Co, Pa 50, less exch 30 cts = 49 70, 2,019 70

MISCELLANEOUS.—G M How, Esq, Chicago, Ill 25; Mrs E T M Philadelphia, Pa 15; "From a dec'd friend," Philadelphia, Pa 17; Philadelphia Soc'y of Princeton College, N J 16 25; Mrs J E De Klyn, Irvington, N Y 6 53; Miss Fanny McCreary, Gettysburg, Pa 5, Memorial; Joseph Witherspoon, Gettysburg, Pa 1, Memorial; Master Bion Scott, Gettysburg, Pa 25 cts, Memorial: "D M H." 10; Presbyterian Memorial Fund 470 25; Frederick B Hubbell, Philadelphia, Pa 5; Jacob Layenberger, Oxford, Iowa 10; "Annie," Wheeling, W Va 15

596 28

Total in August, \$8,273 26

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
30 Vesey Street, New York.

## CLOTHING.

2 boxes from York ch, Pa, valued at 415 00

2 barrels from Allentown ch, N J, valued at

79 00

\$194 00

THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS ACKNOWLEDGES THE RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING, since March last.

Balance of legacy of Josiah Shelton, dec'd, late of Spencertown, New York, 1,208 63; Legacy of Mrs Anna Maria Moore, dec'd, late of De Graff, Ohio, 31 25; legacy of Elizabeth C Chauncey, dec'd, late of Philadelphia, Pa, 5,000, less tax 237 50 = 4,762 50; legacy of Alson Sherwood, dec'd, late of Fishkill, N Y 300; legacy, in part, of Virginia M Holbrook, dec'd, late of Galesville, Wis, 92 75; rent 807 38; legacy of Wm S. Baird, dec'd, late of Philadelphia, Pa 1,000; Lusk es-tate, Mississippi 205, less exchange 1 03 = 203 97; estate of Wm Hempstead, dec'd, Galena, Ill 50; legacy of Rev Jeremiah Miller, dec'd, late of Philadelphia 750

\$9,206 48

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTHOUS, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

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Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants, and Thy glory unto their children.—Ps. xc.

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### THE CHIEF END OF A STUDENT.

Just at the season when nature has poured her richest gifts into the lap of man, and begins again, as we see in the falling leaves about our path, the task of the preparation of the soil, in restoring to it and dissolving the products which man could not use, for a new seed-time and harvest, it is customary for our schools of all grades to begin anew the annual round of instruction. There is no time in which the student can more fitly and profitably ask himself: "What is the chief end which I have set before me?"

On the 15th of September, 1648, the English Parliament finally ordered the publication of a document which had been laid before it in the previous November by an assembly of the greatest and wisest men of the kingdom. "The like of that assembly," says one of its original historians, "I did never see; and, as we hear say, the like was never in England, nor anywhere else is shortly like to be." This document, with others, was the fruits of five years' discussion; "for being to establish a new platform of worship and discipline to their nation for all time to come, they think they cannot be answerable if solidly and at leisure they do not examine every point thereof." The first words of that document, which have been taught to every generation since, and probably will be taught "for all time," are these: "*Question*—What is the Chief End of Man? *Answer*—Man's Chief End is to Glorify God and Enjoy Him Forever." This idea that great assembly of divines in the Abbey of Westminster judged to be at the foundation of all that man is to believe concerning God, and of all that God requires of man.

What is the Chief End which *you* have in study? Is it the enjoyment of intellectual pursuits? Is it reputation as a scholar? Is it in order to attain a respectable position in society? Is it for the maintenance and relief from bodily toil, which that position may afford? May God save you from such selfish, earthly, perishing ends. Daily pray that your souls may be cleansed from such motives. Daily seek to fill it with the knowledge, the encouragements, the cautions, the directions, the hopes, which pour upon us like "a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn," through the medium of the pages of the word of God.

God may be glorified *and* enjoyed *both* in earth and in heaven. Some persons suppose they are only to glorify him here, and that the enjoyment is held in reserve for heaven. But Jesus purposed that his words should bring joy now and here: "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." The condition, however, is complete consecration and faithful obedience, even unto suffering and death: "I have chosen you and ordained you that ye should go and bring forth fruit."

Your principal duty now is diligent, patient, thorough, prayerful preparation for your future work. It is like what Nature is doing in dissolving and disseminating in the soil the elements for the coming blossoms and fruit and multiplication of the seed.

In the acquisition, and by the use of every separate study seek to glorify and enjoy God. You are enduring trials and temptations; but even in these, Peter says, we may, through Christ, possess a double gift, and "rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." To obtain help, consider and imitate Payson's example as a student. He says: "Since I began to beg God's blessing on my studies, I have done more in one week than in the whole year before. Surely it is good to draw near to God at all times." Aim at his spirit: "To be a fellow-laborer with Christ, in the glorious work of bringing souls to him, seemed to be the most delightful and honorable of all offices; and in this service I felt willing to spend and be spent; to suffer pain, contempt, and death itself." Seek to realize what a pious father and mother, now perhaps in heaven, taught you when a child, and would have you never forget: "Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever." "Whether, therefore, ye eat or drink, or whatever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

### A PROTESTANT CHAPLET.

The Roman Catholic, Greek and other churches put into the hands of their members a string of beads, called a rosary or chaplet, which is often made of scented woods or valuable stones, that it may be used in fixing the attention and in remembering the number of their prayers. With some such design do we present to the pious members of a purer form of faith a series of facts, with the hope that they will bear it in mind in their prayers every morning and evening, and give it consideration in determining their use of the means of doing good which God has put in their hands. The facts are as follows:

That the salvation of our nation and the evangelization of the world demand a far greater number of men to preach the gospel of Christ.

That it has pleased God greatly to prosper the efforts of our beloved Presbyterian Church; to increase the number of candidates for this great duty; and to grant it at the same time a reasonable security against mistakes in their selection; through the office and care of the Presbyteries.

That the increase of godly and earnest preachers of the gospel is a matter which concerns every congregation of the Church, and most of all the poorest and smallest; and that therefore every congregation should aid this object.

That every father of a Christian family, and every pastor of a flock of the sheep of Christ, is under obligations to give sons to the work of the ministry, and to help to sustain those who are preparing for it; and those who have not supplied men are the more bound to supply means.

That the Presbyterian Church is determined to encourage her students for the ministry, and aim to relieve them from oppressive cares and hindrances to study, by a more liberal scale of appropriations from her Board of Education.

That the General Assembly has ordered the Board to increase the rates about one-third, so that henceforth theological students will receive \$200 per annum; collegiate, \$160; and academical \$120; and that these rates, with the addition to the number of students, necessitate contributions from the churches one-half larger than last year.

That this most important cause needs now thirty thousand dollars each alternate month until May, and, from the circumstances of these young servants of Christ, must have it promptly.

That the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered to them his goods; and to every man he gave according to his several ability. After a long time the Lord of those servants

cometh and reckoneth with them, and him that has been faithful over a few things He will make ruler over many things; and he shall enter into the joy of his Lord.

The two ends of this chaplet are suited to tie together. Each bead is precious, and should be tarried over in prayer and meditation. There are many chaplets whose beads have neither sweet scent nor real value; whose prayers secure no blessings, either to the person praying or to the object of them. But the chaplet carved all over with the promises given from the lips of the coming Messiah, and relating to the spread and glory of his kingdom, cannot fail of securing a great recompense. And such this chaplet is.

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### THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The past generation has witnessed a wonderful revolution in the opinions of the Methodist Church as to the necessity of education for her ministry. No other church has addressed itself with such zeal to the increase of colleges, at suitable locations over the country, of sufficient equipment to meet the wants of the mass of the young men coming to them, and with provisions for the exercise of a healthful religious influence over the students. It has been alleged by a Methodist newspaper that, according to the statistics of ten of its colleges, *more than one-third* of all their graduates have entered the gospel ministry. The Rev. Drs. Warren, Foster, and other leading men, have recently issued a special appeal, in which young men are invited to consider such facts as the following:

“It is not so generally known as it should be among our young men *that provision exists for the absolutely free professional education of every suitably qualified candidate for the ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Church.* Institutions have been founded and endowed in which each such candidate can enjoy the instruction of able and experienced professors for a period of at least three years without paying one farthing for the privilege. More than this, provision exists by which each can enjoy during those years access to large and valuable libraries without the payment of the smallest fee. Still further, in these theological schools each student is provided with a furnished room for three or more years without charge. Finally, he is given such facilities for cheap boarding that he cannot live anywhere else, not even at home, so inexpensively.”

With these enlightened plans for the increase and culture of her ministry, it is pleasant to the Christian to see the wider grasp of her responsibilities to the world which is animating the Methodist Church. She is losing the spirit of sectarianism, entering more zealously into coöperation with other branches of the Church of Christ in efforts for the general good of our race, and waking fully to the grand duty of giving the gospel to the nations lying in darkness. Her wonderful increase in numbers and influence is the most remarkable commentary of the age upon the blessedness of imitating the example of Him who introduced his ministry with the announcement, so startling to the common impressions, the prejudices, and the self-esteem of most of his hearers: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor;” and who gave to certain questioners this, as one of the chief evidences of his divinity: “To the poor the gospel is preached.”

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### THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE YEAR'S HARVEST.

At the meeting of the Board for the beginning of September, just held, it was remarked with much pleasure that the majority of nearly a score of recommenda-



tions from the Presbyteries recently in session were in behalf of the sons or relatives of ministers, some of whom are men of eminent usefulness in the church. It was resolved, at this entrance upon the heaviest work of the year, to spend a portion of the meeting in special prayer for the influences of God's Spirit and the Divine blessing upon the candidates for the ministry, upon the youth of the Church, and upon the efforts of the Board to supply the wants of those who are dependent upon it for aid. The meeting was a solemn and precious one. Two or three members of the Board remarked that they had been struck with the number of earnest prayers for missions in which are omitted the conversion of the young, their thorough consecration to Christ, and the blessing of God upon the Church's efforts to forward the education of those who are called to the ministry, which are at the foundation of all success in missions. Does the reader of this article realize the importance of such supplications, and urge them before the throne of grace? The Board, the Church, the candidates, the salvation of our sons and daughters, the advancement of religion in our country, the calls of God's providences in the world, the lamentable condition of a world lying in sin, all appeal to you. Will you not pray for us?

#### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN AUGUST, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —Jefferson 1st ch 3 37; Bethlehem 1st ch 10. <i>Pby of Troy</i> —Waterford ch 21 81	SYNOD OF PACIFIC.— <i>Pby of Oregon</i> —Eugene City ch 5 00
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Deer Creek and Harmony chs 14 70; Cumberland ch 45 59 70	SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Warren ch 4 75. <i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Neshaminy ch 14. <i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Bethesda ch 29 36; Kensington 1st ch 39 50. <i>Pby of Westminster</i> —York ch 89; Columbia ch 50 226 61
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Hanging Rock ch 6 40	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Buffalo ch 15 30
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Warren 1st ch 30. <i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Centre Unity ch 25 55 00	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Lima</i> —Ada, Reily Creek and North Bethel chs 12 00
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Erie</i> —Franklin ch 20. <i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Kittanning 1st ch, from J E Brown 300 320 00	SYNOD OF UTICA.— <i>Pby of Otsego</i> —Cherry Valley ch 40 57
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Geneva 1st ch 46 97	SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —East Hamburg ch 5. <i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Niagara Falls ch, from A H Porter 25 30 00
	\$1,990 13
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Fayetteville ch 20. <i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Lewistown ch 26 66; Williamsburg ch 25. <i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Lycoming ch 3 74 66	ON ACCOUNT OF MEMORIAL FUND.
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Lake Forest ch 120. <i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Galena Ger ch 6; Warren 1st ch 6. <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Centre ch, Sunbeam 6; Sterling ch 32 170 00	From Memorial Fund Committee 28 00
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordville</i> —Newton ch 7; Rob Roy ch 8 15 00	LEGACIES.
SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Carpentersville ch 3 00	Estate of Miss Sarah Downs, Colchester, N J (1000 less 100) 900; Estate of Robert W Smith, Rush Creek Township, Fairfield County, Ohio 300; Estate of John S Wilkin, Penna (50' less exchange) 49 70; Estate of Matthew Patton, Pa 5 1,254 70
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Clarinda ch 5 25	MISCELLANEOUS.
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.— <i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Hopkinsville ch 1 00	Heattie Conway, Sprout Creek, N Y 5; Interest (in part) on Jacob Fund 175; From a family in 1st ch, Camden, N J 20; "Annie" Wheeling, W Va 15; Interest (in part) on Means fund 197 30; Mrs J E DeKlyn, Irvington, N Y 5; From a member of the Presbyterian ch 15 432 30
SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.— <i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Jefferson Ave ch, Detroit 210 77; White Lake ch 13 223 77	Total amount acknowledged, \$3,705 13
SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Central ch, St Paul 30. <i>Pby of Winona</i> —Rochester 1st ch 6 40 36 40	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Bricksburg ch 9 49. <i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —First ch Morristown 44 06; Boonton ch 33 25; Fairmount ch 3. <i>Pby of Newark</i> —Montclair ch 113. <i>Pby of Newton</i> —Newton 1st ch 58 24. <i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Second ch Bridgeton 27 73 238 77	OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, No. 907 ARCH ST., PHILADELPHIA.
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of New York</i> —Ch of Covenant, New York City 250; Murray Hill ch 25 40. <i>Pby of Westchester</i> —New Rochelle ch 35 15; Croton Falls ch 9 319 55	Letters, reports, &c., relating to candidates and the general affairs of the Board, are to be addressed there to WILLIAM SPEER, D.D.; remittances of money to WILLIAM MAIN, Esq., at the same place.

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

PLEASING NEWS FROM THE GABOON AND CORISCO MISSION.—Mr. Bushnell writes that a good deal of religious interest marked the services at Gaboon, ten or twelve persons attending an inquiry meeting three evenings in the week. The training class was commenced with three young men and five of the eldest pupils in the girls' school, besides three young men from the native towns, who are irregular in their attendance. It was expected that two of the members of the church would soon be received under the care of the Presbytery as candidates for the ministry; and a female teacher would be employed as a Bible-woman to visit the native women. The boys' boarding-school at Baraka contained twenty scholars, and the girls' boarding school thirty. The brethren had purchased a yacht from a German merchant for \$2,420, in gold. This vessel cost \$4,500, delivered at Gaboon when it was new, three years ago, and it is in fine condition. It is considered a very advantageous purchase. The news of its purchase reached us since the article on the subject on another page was in type. Mr. and Miss Nassau had returned to Benita, but expected to set out for this country in a few months. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy accompanied them to Benita, where they and Mr. and Mrs. Kops, who were expected soon to arrive, would be stationed. They were delighted with the Benita station and its missionary prospects. Mr. Gillespie is stationed at Gaboon, and Miss Boughton also. Mr. Bushnell writes very urgently of the need of more laborers, particularly in what may be called the Gaboon part of the field.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM CHINA.—At Canton a conspiracy had been to some extent successful in awakening opposition to foreigners. First, certain persons widely distributed medical powders, claiming for them great virtue. Next, placards appeared denouncing these powders as poisonous, and as having been intended by the foreigners and the native Christians to accomplish their evil purposes, and calling on the people to rise up in their wrath against the enemies to the country. So great was the excitement thus created, that much of the missionary work of the brethren was suspended. This excitement would not probably last very long. Previously, several out-stations had been occupied with encouraging prospects. At this station, a new convert had been lately received into the church. At Shanghai, the communion season in July was one of much interest. It was with much regret that some of the members of the church had to be excluded from the communion, but three new communicants were received, and an elder was ordained. At Tsinanfu, or Chenanfou, the capital of Shantung, Mr. McIlvaine was still meeting with encouragement. Mr. Crossette, of Tungchow, spent a fortnight at this city, and was impressed with its importance as a missionary station. Mr. McIlvaine's occupying it for the present may lead other brethren to join him in the work there—a question now receiving their consideration. Dr. and Mrs. Patterson have arrived at Tungchow. Mr. and Mrs. Corbett have reached Chefoo, on their return from Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Carrington, of the Siamese Mission, were also at Chefoo, for the benefit of Mrs. Carrington's health.

AT KOLAPORE, INDIA, a convert was received into the church in July, the second received this year. Mrs. Wilder's school for girls now contains forty scholars on the roll, with an average attendance of thirty. The brethren are urgent in their

request for reinforcement, and we trust it will not be long until their request can be granted. At SAHARANPUR the boys' orphan asylum had received a number of new scholars from Sealkote, who had been in a Scotch school now discontinued. The number now at Saharanpur is fifty-seven.

GOOD NEWS FROM PERSIA.—Mr. Cochran writes to Mr. Shedd that encouraging religious interest is manifested in several of the village congregations. He enumerates six or seven places in each of which eight or ten persons may be regarded "as truly converted and candidates for the communion." Messrs. Bassett and Stocking and their company arrived safely at London, August 21st, on their way to this mission; all well.

THE SYRIA MISSION at its annual meeting in July, agreed to recommend several measures to the Board looking to greater enlargement and efficiency in the work, of which fuller reports will be received hereafter.

THE PRESBYTERY OF BRAZIL, at its session in Rio de Janeiro, in July, licensed a young man to preach the gospel, and ordained Modesto Perestrello Barros de Caralhosa as an evangelist. During the meeting of Presbytery three persons were received as communicants by the church session.

FROM MISSIONS IN OUR COUNTRY.—Mr. Cowley and his family have arrived at Lapwai, where they met with a warm welcome from the Agent, and such of the Nez Perces as they had seen. Mr. Spalding was detained at his home in Oregon by the serious illness of his daughter, but hoped soon to reach the mission to these Indians. Messrs. Roberts and Menaul, through the kind coöperation of the Agent, were laying their plans to occupy a more eligible station among the Navajo Indians. Mr. MacElroy was expecting to go on from Santa Fe to Albuquerque, as probably the best place for his labors.

RECEIPTS, MAY 1ST TO SEPTEMBER 1ST.—From churches, \$43,394; from legacies, \$3,536; from individual donors, \$21,385; in all, \$68,316. Receipts in the same months last year, \$57,010—of which, from churches, \$17,887.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO SEPTEMBER 14TH.—From Cattaraugus, Seneca, August 26th; Creek, September 1st; Las Vegas, August 10th; Santa Fe, August 30th; Navajo, August 15th; Lapwai, Nez Perce, August 27th; San Francisco, September 2d; Yokohama, July 22d; Yedo, August 6th; Peking, June 29th; Tsinan-fu, June 20th; Tungehow, July 3d; Chefoo, July 18th; Shanghai, July 25th; Ningpo, July 10th; Hangchow, July 5th; Canton, July 18th; Bangkok, July 9th; Etawah, July 21st; Saharanpur, July 29th; Dehra, July 29th; Lodiana, July 17th; Murree, July 17th; Kolapore, July 15th; Oroomiah, July 5th; Abeih, August 12th; Benita, July 3d; Gaboon, July 25th; Rio de Janeiro, July 25th.

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#### BOAT FOR THE GABOON AND CORISCO MISSION.

Many of our readers know that the Rev. A. Bushnell, before returning to Africa, made a plea for a boat with a cabin, to be used in the service of this mission. We quote from his circular: "In the important field they [the Gaboon and the Corisco Missions, now united,] occupy on the Western borders of the unexplored regions of Ethiopia, about mid-way between the Niger and the Congo, there are no roads nor beasts of burden, and the travelling is nearly all on the water. The health and lives of missionaries have too long been jeopardized by exposure to the sun, rain, and night air in open boats; and now, in connection with the reinforcing of these united missions, a small vessel with a cabin is much needed." We are glad to report that liberal gifts have been received for this



object, amounting now to \$2058. With this sum a small vessel can probably be secured, but it is quite desirable that about \$1000 more should be sent in, so as to enable the brethren to purchase a larger boat. Even then the money invested would make but a small figure, when compared with the sum usually paid for a yacht in our waters, used for purposes of pleasure. The noble object which took our missionary friends to Africa, and the risk to health from exposure to the sun and rain, concur to make a good covered boat one of the things which should be provided for them. They should have applied for it years ago.

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### HOW TO INCREASE THE POWER OF MISSIONARIES.

All agree that our missionaries should be men of piety, ability, education, common sense, energy, good health, &c. There is room on missionary ground for a diversity of gifts, but weak men can be more useful at home than abroad, and should not be sent out; at least the general rule should be to send only the strongest men to the foreign field. Once on the ground, how can their power be best promoted?

We will suppose that their homes and temporal support are provided, so that they may be free from worldly care; otherwise, especially in tropical climates, they will not live long to labor. We will also suppose that the general plans of their work are wisely matured; otherwise, their labors may easily be ineffective. As to these plans, it is often difficult to form them. Each missionary field has its own features, which need to be well considered. In some countries, India for example, it is a question to what extent missionaries should engage in schools, and what prominence should be given to education in English. In that country, in China and in other countries, difficult questions arise as to the best methods of training native assistants, and especially native ministers of the gospel, and also as to the settlement and support of native pastors. These and other matters of great moment will often lead the ablest missionaries to ask, Who is sufficient for these things? But we will now suppose them to be all settled; the missionaries to be at their work; the regular course of their labors to be maintained from year to year—what more do they need to make them men of power? Most persons would at once answer, they need and must have the influences of the Holy Spirit to accompany all their efforts, or else these good efforts will be all in vain. Understood in its full meaning, this reply is correct enough; it includes, however, ideas that are overlooked by many, and sometimes not fully appreciated by missionaries themselves. Take one of these included views, for the present,—the gracious power of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of the laborers, foreign and native. In this largely consists their power in their missionary labors. If they can maintain a life of deep piety in their own souls, if they can live like Brainerd, Martyn, or Paul the Apostle, yea, rather like Christ himself in a high degree, they will shake the world. Their evangelizing labors will then abound more and more, and they will lead many souls, now lost and perishing, unto the Saviour of sinners. To maintain this life of piety is no easy matter, in the midst of the most unfavorable influences, and in the far absence of Christian institutions and holy examples. Good men are these laborers, foreign and native, self-denying, devoted, and yet they are but men, sanctified but in part. Like other men they are exposed to various spiritual dangers and temptations; one is tempted to make too much of comfort in his circumstances; another is tempted to lose precious time in miscellaneous ways; another is tempted to neglect the thorough study of the native language; another is tempted to keep too far from the natives, and so not to come sufficiently into

sympathy with them; still another is tempted to insist on having his own way in intercourse with his associates; indeed, as to this last point, few persons without experience can understand the temptations to disagreement that often spring up at a missionary station. These things, in so far as they exist, lessen the usefulness of the best men; so do all the common drawbacks in the Christian life—unbelief, lukewarmness, worldliness, and all want of spiritual affections.

The great remedy of all evils, the great source of all power in Christian men at home or abroad, is the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in their hearts. As in the beginning of the Christian dispensation, so it is now. The disciples were to "receive power," even to "be baptized with the Holy Ghost," before they could be witnesses unto Christ, in their own and foreign lands, even "unto the uttermost parts of the earth." We may not expect to receive now the power of miraculous gifts, but we may receive the greater gifts of faith in Christ and love to God and compassion for souls in the bondage of sin and death.

This baptism of the Spirit all our missionary brethren prize as their greatest gift. This will make them truly men of power. And this can be sought for them by all our readers, after first seeking it for themselves.

#### WALDENSIAN CALL FOR HELP IN ITALY.

The Rev. Matteo Prochet, of Genoa, Italy, has favored us with an interesting letter, a part of which we insert below. Mr. Prochet refers in terms of deep respect and regret to the death of Dr. Revel. He states in a few words his having been previously appointed by Synod to relieve Dr. Revel of his Presidency of the Commission, in order that he might regain his strength, and his sense of the weighty charge entrusted to him. And he expresses warmly the hope that the missions would still receive aid from their friends in Great Britain and in the United States. Enlarged pecuniary support is much needed, and it is for an encouraging work that Mr. Matteo pleads, as our readers will see:

If the financial side is somewhat discouraging, the other one is a cheering one. Our churches in the mission are daily growing in strength, in knowledge, and I think and believe, in grace before God and man. Two thousand communicants have joined openly our churches, and yearly a good number of catechumens are following regular instruction in order to be admitted. In many towns, especially in Sicily, twenty, thirty, even forty men have signed applications subsequently forwarded to some of our missionaries,

asking for some one to go and preach the Gospel to them.

Rome, at last opened to the preaching of the truth as it is in Jesus, has two of our evangelists. The Waldensian Church was the first amongst the evangelical agencies at work in Italy to enter Rome, and it was but just, she had suffered so long. Thirty-six times had Rome made the attempt to stamp the Gospel and the Gospel people out of the Waldensian Valleys. The greatest king of his age lent his best marshal and thousands of his best soldiers. In vain—the King of kings protected the handful of his people, and now the sons of those Waldensians preach *freely* the Gospel in Rome itself, at *the very gates of that gloomy palace* of the inquisition within whose walls so many of their forefathers had sealed with their blood their faith in Jesus. There is evidently something striking in the mere fact itself.

Besides, the Romans are anxious to have instruction; so much so that more than a hundred Roman Catholic children have been offered by their parents to be trained in our school. A part of them only could be received by Mrs. Gould, an American lady, who has just begun a school in our hall. We intend to make use of these good dispositions of the people, and begin next autumn with a good staff of teachers.

In short, our position seems to me something like that of the Israelites between the Egyptians and the Red Sea. Afraid of the Egyptians, they did not know where to fly; they cry to God,

and the only answer is, "Forward"—forward that is into the sea! We have also a financial question, which like a sea lies in our way, an insuperable barrier, we ask what are we to do? And the hundreds and thousands of souls which, awakening from their superstitious slumbers, call out: come over and help us, seem to us as a second direct answer from God, "Go forward."

I am afraid my letter is taking unusual proportions, and I must close it. You may see from what precedes that I am not up to the mark (as English people say) for pleading a cause. But I know you have already some knowledge of it, and I am satisfied if I have only succeeded in drawing your attention to these missions. May God himself do what I cannot do, and work and incline the hearts of his people on the other side the Atlantic to come to our help!

### THREE YEARS' WORK FOR NATIVE AFRICANS.

The Rev. J. M. Deputie writes from New Tom's station, near Marshall, Liberia, June 3d, concerning his labors for the natives, as follows:

One month hence will end my three years' labor among the people of this place. If I measure my work by the number of converts directly from heathenism, I have nothing to show as the result of past labor. Still I am not discouraged, for I believe *all* has not been lost. The blessed gospel has been heard by attentive ears, and, like leaven, is silently but surely doing its work.

The services of the Sabbath grow in interest. All show a willingness to hear the word of life. To my question, Do you want me to go away? they answer, No. In such case what would *we* do? A few evenings ago I was made to rejoice on hearing a short conversation between Mrs. D—— and one of the men. She asked him what he thought of this God palaver, and if he ever prayed. His reply was, "Yes, mamma, I like God palaver. I go to town to hear daddy preach all the time. What he tells us is too true, and I like them much. I pray to God all the time to take away my bad heart and give me good heart, so when I die I can go to that good place where God lives." After hearing this, can any wonder at my petitioning our Father in heaven that He would hear this man's prayer, take away his stony heart and give him

a heart of flesh? He has been here since, and I believe he is sincere in his desire. In conversation with others, they have acknowledged that their religion will do them no good, and that if they are saved it must be by forsaking their evil habits and embracing Christ as offered in the gospel. *Many* are persuaded their "gree grees" will not carry them to the Christian's heaven. May the Lord prosper the work and bring them all to a saving knowledge of Himself."

We hope that these poor people may be made subjects of *earnest* prayer by *all* who desire their conversion. We need the influence of the Holy Spirit, for our work is a great one. "A great door and effectual is opened unto us, and there are many adversaries." Pray therefore that we may be watchful, that we may stand fast in the faith, that we may quit us like men, and be strong. These heathen are to be given to Christ if there is truth in inspiration, and if there is any faithfulness in God's servants, it should be possessed by us who are laboring among them. "If Africa's fountains of life have been poisoned, let the wells of salvation be opened to her, thus giving her beauty for ashes, the oil of gladness for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness."

My school continues to prosper as rapidly as can be expected under existing circumstances. I have twelve scholars, all very anxious to make good use of the opportunity they have of acquiring knowledge.

### ARRIVAL AT GABOON—INTERESTING NOTES.

The Rev. A. Bushnell writes as follows from his old station at Baraka, Gaboon, West Africa, under date of June 16th:

As the mail day approaches I hasten to inform you of our safe arrival here on the evening of the 9th inst., twenty-eight days from Liverpool. Our passage continued pleasant till the last. Indeed, from New York to Gaboon it was all that we could have desired. Not an accident, disappointment, or serious inconvenience occurred; and no illness was experienced by any member of our company, with the exception of the usual sea-sickness in some cases. We felt when we left our native shores, that we were borne on a wave of Christian sympathy and wafted by the breath



of prayer. Surely God has answered in our behalf the prayers of his people, and if they continue to pray, we shall be sustained in our arduous and responsible work, and success will crown all our labors. My earnest request to our friends and patrons is, "Brethren, pray for us."

I believe I gave you, in former communications, some account of our voyage, visits to Lisbon, Madeira, and Old Calabar. At the latter place, where we landed our fellow passengers of the Scotch United Presbyterian Mission, we remained a day, and visited their two largest stations, Duketown and Creek town. These stations are on the river, near the hulks and vessels engaged in the palm oil trade. The influence of trade there, as with us here, is a serious obstacle to the progress of their work, and desolating to the natives who are engaged in it. Had it not been for the river trade, both Calabar and Gaboon would probably have had a large Christian population now. Alas! a fearful responsibility rests upon those in Christian lands who send these desolating streams of ruin to these heathen shores. The foreign slave-trade, during more than two hundred years, robbed Ethiopia of her sons and daughters; and the foreign liquor trade is rapidly destroying the scattered remnants. Oh Lord, how long? Still at Calabar we saw much to encourage us. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Goldie have toiled there twenty-three years, and bid fair to labor as many more; the Rev. A. Robb, D.D., and others have had a shorter period of service, and all are hopeful and confident of the ultimate triumph of the gospel in that part of dark Africa. Dr. Robb is much interested in imparting biblical and theological instruction to a class of young men in the employ of the mission, who spend a portion of time with him; the remainder being spent in teaching, Bible-reading, and other kinds of mission work.

From Calabar to Gaboon required only about thirty-six hours, touching at Fernando Po, to land a pilot. We anchored off Baraka about seven o'clock P. M., and Dr. Nassau soon came on board, and Mrs. Bushnell and myself accompanied him on shore, where we met an enthusiastic welcome from the pupils in the schools, and many of the people, who hastily assembled to greet us. We also found Miss Bella Nassau at the mission house, and Mrs. Sneed and Charity, her assistants at Benita.

The following morning I hastened on board, and landed the remaining members of our company to breakfast, and before noon we had all our freight and baggage ashore. We were greatly relieved of anxiety, that had oppressed us from the time we learned that Mr. and Mrs. Walker, and Mrs. Reutlinger had left, when we found Dr. and Miss Nassau here, and that most of the children had remained at Baraka. It seems they were needing a change, and so instead of going to Calabar, they arranged to come here and let Mr. and Mrs. Walker leave, taking their little boy. Probably the Walkers might have remained till our arrival, had it not been for this arrangement.

The doctor and his sister are looking better than we expected to find them, but it will be safest for them to have a change as soon as they can conveniently leave their station and work to others, and I think this is their intention.

Sabbath 11th, was an interesting day. The congregations were large and attentive, both morning and evening, and the Sabbath-school was full. Probably many came to see us and the new missionaries.

Rev. Mr. Ibia arrived from Corisco on the 14th inst., and in the evening a called meeting of Corisco Presbytery was held at Baraka. Messrs. Bushnell, Gillespie, and Murphy were received, and Messrs. Clarke and Menaul were dismissed to Presbyteries in the United States. Messrs. Bushnell and Gillespie were appointed a committee to Presbyterianize the Gaboon mission church, with a view to its being received under the care of Presbytery. The meeting was a delightful one, and we trust it will be an era in the work of the Lord in this dark part of his vineyard. The following morning Dr. Nassau and his sister, and Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, left for Benita, on board a German yacht, expecting to call at Corisco on the way.

On our arrival, we found that Dr. and Miss Nassau had fixed upon Mr. and Mrs. Murphy to accompany them to Benita, and as they seemed willing to go, we could say nothing against it, much as we desired them to remain here. We charged the doctor to guard their health in every possible manner. They have been very well, and I think bid fair to stand the climate well. Perhaps they would have preferred to have remained here, but under the circumstances deemed it duty to go with the toil-worn and weary to Benita. Mr. Gillespie occupies the other mission

house here, which it is proposed to devote to the "training institution," and takes his meals with us. Miss Bough-ton is with us. Both have thus far been well, and are studying the language, and gradually rendering such assistance as they are able to. We have twenty-two pupils in the girls' boarding school and ten boys in the boys' boarding school, and have had numerous applications to increase the number. But we shall wait till the next quarter. We find only nine native members in the church in good standing, and several suspended ones. We found the mission house nearly empty, and very little mission property, except the premises and buildings, and nearly all of the out-buildings need rebuilding or repairing. . . . It will require considerable outlay of funds to put the mission in working order, and some time to get things organized, so that we can unite the accounts and general interests of the two missions in one mission.

Under date of June 26th, Mr. Bush-nell writes:

Yesterday, Sabbath, was a day of much encouragement with us. The two previous Sabbaths the congregations were large, but yesterday, both morning and evening, the house was crowded, fuller than I remember ever to have seen it, and the solemn stillness and fixed attention evidenced the presence of the Holy Spirit. Several back-sliders express a desire to return, and several of the larger pupils in the girls' boarding school appear seriously inclined. We shall have some extra religious exercises during the week, and hope these encouragements will continue and increase. We doubt not we are remembered in the prayers of God's people in America, and we trust, in answer to their prayers, a brighter day is dawning upon us. "Pray for us."

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN AUGUST 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Champlain*—Malone ch 225 50; Keeseville ch 75. *Pby of Columbia*—Hunter ch 29 22. *Pby of Troy*—Waterford ch 130 87; Schaghticoke ch 58 \$518 59

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Friedrick ch 40 00

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Bethel Sab-sch 6 70; 7th ch Cincinnati 41 95. *Pby of Dayton*—Zion Sab-sch, Oxford 1 75; 1st ch Sab-sch, Oxford, to ed child at Dehra 35; 2d ch Piqua 37. *Pby of Portsmouth*—First ch Portsmouth 573 16; Jackson Sab-sch 22 10; Ripley ch 7 724 66

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—First ch Cleveland 896 75; Chester ch 24 25. *Pby of Mahoning*—First ch Warren 45; Hanover ch 7. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Washington ch 50. *Pby of Steubenville*—Wellsville Sab-sch 9 70; East Springfield ch 31; Bacon Ridge ch 31; Stillfork Sab-sch 5; Centre Unity ch, bal of Hanna Fund 25 1,124 70

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Marietta ch 5 80; Middleport ch 22 50, Sab-sch 14 50 = 37. *Pby of Wooster*—Holmesville ch 46 70; Shreve ch 25. *Pby of Zanesville*—Keene ch, bequest of Jno Dougherty 100; Jersey ch 10 25 224 75

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—First ch Allegheny ch 72. *Pby of Butler*—Mt Nebo ch, a little girl 1; Leesburgh ch 12 53; Union Oil Wells ch 11 45. *Pby of Erie*—Wattsburgh ch 14 42; Harbor Creek ch 16 24; Mill Creek ch 10; Franklin ch 50. *Pby of Kittanning*—First ch Kittanning 1000; Glade Run ch 50, Thos Gaghan 5 = 55; Rayne ch 17. *Pby of Shenango*—Clarksville ch, for Persia 30 07; Mt Pleasant ch 8; Hopewell ch 8 75; Unity ch 35; West Middlesex ch 22 1,385 18

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—First ch Genoa 36 11; Ludlowville ch 10 22. *Pby of Chemung*—First ch Sab-sch Elmira 10. *Pby of Geneva*—First ch Geneva 28 26, Memorial 10 = 28 26 94 59

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Mechanicsburg Sab-sch, for Tungchow sch 46 62; Petersburg ch 5; Rock Spring and St Thomas chs, estate of Matthew Patton 5. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Buffalo Run ch 14 61, Sab-sch 5 72 =

20 33; 1st ch Altoona 84; Lewistown ch 50. *Pby of Northumberland*—Orangeville ch 6 15; Rohrs-ville ch 5 85; Sugar Loaf ch 2. *Pby of Wellsboro'*—First ch Coudersport 11 25 236 20

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Low Point ch 13; *Pby of Peoria*—Science Hill Sab-sch 5; Lewistown ch 32 20. *Pby of Schuyler*—First ch Warsaw 18. *Pby of Springfield*—First ch Springfield 102 75 230 95

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Third ch Chicago 551 81; Lake Forest ch 7 15. *Pby of Freeport*—First ch Freeport 43 10; Galena Ger ch 12. *Pby of Ottawa*—Farm Ridge Sab-sch 2 60. *Pby of Rock River*—Sterling ch 150; North Henderson ch Sab-sch 8 35 775 01

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Cairo*—Olin ch 2 83. *Pby of Mattoon*—Charleston ch 25 27 83

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Muncie*—No-blesville ch 22; Boxley ch 4 26 00

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of New Albany*—First ch Sab-sch New Albany, to ed girl at Myn-purie 50. *Pby of Vincennes*—Claiborne Sab-sch, for Safita 2 52 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—First ch Cedar Rapids 5 52. *Pby of Waterloo*—Rock Creek ch 6 03; West Irving ch 4 15 55

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Iowa*—Kossuth ch Sab-sch 10 00

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Topeka*—First ch Sab-sch Leavenworth, for Syria 27 25

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Burlington ch 50. *Pby of Louisville*—Hopkinsville ch, R Thompson 2; Chestnut st ch, Louisville 100. *Pby of Transylvania*—New Market Sab-sch, for Oroomiah Sem'y 5 15 157 15

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Ger ch Williamsburg 15; 1st ch Edgewater 8 11; South Third st ch, Williamsburg 22 40; Genevan ch 12 09; 1st ch Remsen st 28 65; 1st ch, Dr Seaver's 170. *Pby of Long Island*—Moriches ch 20. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch 55 331 25

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Saline ch 33 50; Westminster ch Sab-sch 51 39. *Pby of Lansing*—Homer ch 73 70, Sab-sch, to sup girl in Persia 31 30 = 105. *Pby of Saginaw*—Tawas City ch 10 01; East Tawas ch 7 46 207 36



SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—First ch Stillwater 60; St Paul ch, to con Rev D R Breed *Life Director* 100 160 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Pleasant Hill Sab-sch 9. *Pby of Ozark*—Bethel ch 2. *Pby of Palmyra*—First ch Sab-sch, Brookfield st. *Pby of St Louis*—Second ch and Sab-sch St. Louis 500 514 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—First ch Sat-sch Plainfield, for Futtelgurh 25. *Pby of Jersey City*—Norwood ch 46 12; Tenafly ch 50 27. *Pby of Monmouth*—Port Washington ch 27 60. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—South st ch Morristown 1,471 23; Chester ch, two widows 5; Brick ch Parsippany 102; Central ch Orange 201; 2d ch Orange, to con Geo W and Catharine Snow *Life Directors* 700. *Pby of Newark*—Third ch Newark 16 79; Roseville Sab-sch Missy Socy, to ed child in Persia, 50; two in Corisco 30 = 80; Wickliffe ch 11 07; Bloomfield ch 457 10. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Second ch Sab-sch Princeton, for Gaboon 27 50; Dutch Neck ch 77; First savings of little David B Hill Jr 1 = 78. *Pby of Newton*—Newton ch 64 39. *Pby of West Jersey*—Pittsgrove ch 75; 1st ch Vineland 14 50; 2d ch Bridgeton 44 65 3,497 22

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Hudson*—First ch Middletown 130; Cohecton Sab-sch 5 60; Palisades ch 19 61. *Pby of New York*—Ch of the Covenant 125; Madison Square ch 100; Brick ch Chapel 6. *Pby of North River*—Kingston ch 14; Cold Spring ch 10. *Pby of Westchester*—Croton Falls ch 14; Irvington ch, to con J F Ferry, Mrs Elizabeth R Ferry and Fred'k P Ferry *Life Directors* 500 40; New Rochelle ch 74 08 1,058 69

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Portland ch 32 35

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—New London ch 172 65. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Montrose ch 160, D P 10, Sab-sch, Mrs Miller's class, to sup Julia Grace, Beirut 10 = 180; Waymart ch 25; Prompton ch 15. *Pby of Lehigh*—First ch Reading 120, Sab-sch 125 = 245; Mt Bethel ch Portland Sab-sch 6. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Oxford ch Hopewell Sab-sch 2 30. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Chestnut Hill Sab-sch, for Chefoo sch 7 04; Abington ch 15 31 668 30

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Congruity ch 5 25. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Canonsburg ch 3; Long Island ch 11. *Pby of Redstone*—McKeesport Sab-sch, to ed boy in Bogota 60; Round Hill ch 29 17; West Newton ch 8 Miss Eva Moore dec'd 66c = 8 66. *Pby of Washington*—Fairview ch 7 85; 1st ch Sab-sch Washington 14; Cross Creek ch, bequest of J S Wilkin 50; New Cumberland ch 91 50 280 43

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Austin*—Austin ch 16 50

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Wyandotte ch 4 20. *Pby of Maumee*—Hicksville, Sab-sch 8 25 12 45

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Nineveh ch, to con F Edgeton *Life Director* 100; 1st ch Owego 232 60. *Pby of Otsego*—Head of Delaware ch L E R 5. *Pby of Utica*—First ch Waterville, Ladies' Ben't Socy 63 10; Vernon ch, to con Rev D I Biggar *Life Member* 35 435 70

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—East Aurora ch 10; *Pby of Genesee*—North Bergen ch 43; 1st ch Byron, for Syria Miss, to con Rev T M Hodgman *Life Member* 30. *Pby of Genesee Valley*—Portville ch 36 25. *Pby of Niagara*—Albion ch Mrs Z Clark 4. *Pby of Rochester*—Central ch Rochester 131 18; Chili ch 2; Parma Centre ch 10; 1st ch Genesee 49 36 315 79

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Chippewa*—First ch Hudson 4. *Pby of Milwaukee*—St Bankone ch 1 75. *Pby of Winnebago*—Horicon ch 4; Wau-paca ch 5 14 75

Total receipts from churches, \$13,215 20

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Miss Sarah Downs, Delaware Co, N Y 900; Legacy of T A Spencer,

Otsego Co, N Y 50; Bequest of Sarah McLaughlin, Westmoreland Co, Pa, less coll 95 \$1,045 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—For Persia 3,000; for China 500; for India 500; for enlarging Missy's Buildings in California 2,000; Michigan Female Seminary, Kalamazoo, to sup pupil at Oromiah Sem'y 28; One at Shanghai Sch 30; A Friend 50cts; Mrs E C Lyon 2; A Friend, for Waldenses 30; "Annie" 15; Rev J R Eckard 3 25; Annie Morrison, N Y 20; Miss F A Uffington, Phila 8; Jacob Leyenberger, Orford Iowa, 10; E S Ely, Fredonia, N Y 5; Gen'l M R Patrick, refunding outfit and expenses to China of Miss Patrick 700; A Champion, Rochester, N Y 1,000; Rev L M Stevens and wife, La Porte Ind 10; Yorkville 10; Missy Box of a little boy and girl 1; A Country Boy 25cts; A B, Phila 1,256 25; Mrs Marcey, San Francisco 56; Savings of Arthur, Laura, and Lydia Grob 12 85; Rev R Mann, Marion, N Y 5; Mrs J E DeKlyn, Irvington N Y 5; Philadelphian Society, Princeton Coll 16 25; A Country Boy and Sab-sch Scholar 4; D M H 10; Rev R Norton, to sup preacher in Persia £10 6 3—\$36; Miss M Hickok 2; Mrs H M Wakely, Greenville, N Y 10; A Friend in Tiffin, Ohio, for Benita, Africa 50 9,356 35

Total Receipts in August, 1871, \$23,616 55

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### A STRIKING CONVERSION.

The following touching incident came under notice of the writer whilst pastor of a missionary church in California. At my Wednesday evening meeting, I noticed an uncouth-looking individual in the congregation, who seemed to be deeply affected. For several succeeding weeks he continued to attend, and in response to a general invitation given to any who might desire to say a word, he arose and said:

“I have not attended church or heard a sermon for thirteen years, until within a few weeks. My children have been attending Sabbath-school, and they brought home a little book published by the Presbyterian Board of Publication, and it led me to think of the interests of my soul and attend church. I thank God that I am permitted to testify that I have found the Saviour.”

As he spoke, the tears trickled down his cheeks, whilst a sweet smile lighted his countenance. The next day I visited his cabin. It was an humble tenement with an earthen floor. I found him sitting by his wife's shoulder, poring over the pages of the Bible. They were both in tears. Having himself found the Saviour, he was trying to lead his wife to him. I prayed and conversed with them. A short time after, I had the pleasure of receiving both into the church on the profession of their faith.

A few Sabbaths after this I presented the cause of the Board of Publication to my people, and after service the man hung about me, and walked home with me, indicating, by his actions, that he desired to say something to me, but was diffident about mentioning it. I asked him to walk into the study. He walked across the floor two or three times, and then, standing before me, said:

“Mr. ———, when you were talking about the Board of Publication, I felt as though I could not sleep unless I gave something. You know that

the people here raised a purse to help me, and I was afraid to give anything for fear they would think I had no right to give, when I was myself an object of charity; but I cannot rest if I do not. It was a little book of the Board that led to my conversion. I hope you will not tell any one, but I want you to take this."

He put his hand in his pocket, and as the tears rolled down his face, handed me a smooth quarter that had been rolled up in a piece of cloth. Oh! I could not help feeling that this mite was more valuable in the sight of the Lord than the thousands of some who give of their abundance. E.

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### SUMMER SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

We would announce with much gratification that over twenty thousand copies have been added to the circulation of the *Sabbath-school Visitor* since April, were we not conscious that this increase is chiefly caused by summer schools, which will be discontinued in November. The winter decrease in the circulation of the *Visitor* is a matter of minor moment, but it reveals a state of things that we cannot contemplate without painful apprehension. During the remaining nine months of the year, what provision is made for the instruction of these children? We presume that the churches make none; that those schools that have libraries shut them up, and that no attempt is made to provide the children with any religious reading during the dark months of winter. This season of the year is most favorable for study, and we believe that many more day-schools are kept open during the winter than the summer. Sabbath-schools, we think, could be maintained often much longer than they are, and ordinarily, with proper effort, the whole year round. But could not some plan be devised, when the Sabbath-school must be suspended, to supply the children with the library books and the *Sabbath-school Visitor*, and thus to furnish interesting reading to them when at home? The books and papers are for home-reading; cannot our readers send to us some suggestions that will be useful to others, in regard to the best way of supplying the children with reading in the winter, in places where they have only summer Sabbath-schools? Do so, and you may help others.

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### A PLEASANT INCIDENT.

One of our colporteurs in Iowa writes as follows:

"I must tell you of a little encouragement I met with the other day. While crossing the prairie from one settlement to another, a boy about ten years of age came within speaking distance and saluted me with a 'Good-morning, sir.'

" 'Good-morning, sir,' I replied. 'Are you going my way?'

"He said he was not, but was going west a few miles.

" 'Well,' I replied, 'shall I give you a tract to read, when you get home?'

"He said he would be very glad of one; and then added: 'But you forgot the *Catechism* that time, didn't you?'



“‘What time do you mean?’ I asked.

“‘Why, when you stopped that time over night at our house, you said, in the evening, that you would give me one, and in the morning you went away and forgot it.’

“‘Well,’ said I, ‘I am very sorry. But I will give you one now.’

“‘As I gave it to him, he said, ‘Nell would like to have one too.’

“‘Who is ‘Nell’?’ I asked.

“‘Why,’ said he, ‘Nell is my sister. Don’t you know me?’ He told me who he was, and added, ‘We have all been Presbyterians since you were at our house. Father and you talked all the evening about churches, and next day he said he thought you were right.’

“‘Well,’ I answered, ‘I must give you something to read on Presbyterianism. Here is a tract about *What Presbyterians Believe*; here is another entitled *Presbyterianism Explained*; and here another, which gives *Ten Reasons for being a Presbyterian*. Would you like to take and read them?’ His large eyes sparkled with delight as he took them, and said, ‘Father will read them all through to us as soon as I get home.’”

#### ABOUT BAPTISM.

The many sermons, tracts, and books, on the mode and the subjects of baptism sent to the Board for publication, give evidence that even our ministers do not know how fully and how well we have already treated that ordinance. It will interest some of our readers to know what has been published by the Board upon the questions involved in the subject. We therefore subjoin a list of books and tracts bearing upon that topic. Many of them are admirable, and several of them unanswerable.

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The first volume is on the Gospel narrative of the last year of our Lord's ministry, and covers the ground of the first and second series of the Westminster Lessons. It embraces the matter of the "Teacher's Papers" of those two series, with the addition of pertinent and instructive engravings, and Maps carefully drawn and corrected by the *latest researches* in the Holy Land. The volume, both in its letter-press and illustrative adjuncts, is one that will be found most helpful to Sabbath-school teachers, and those studying or teaching the word in Bible-classes, public institutions, the lecture room, and elsewhere.

### SABBATH-SCHOOL CATALOGUE.

We are mailing to our ministers copies of the recently published "Catalogue of the Sabbath-school Publications of the Presbyterian Board." The recipients will do us (and themselves also) a favor, by looking through this list, seeing what the Board has done and is doing in this department, and then handing the catalogue to the Sabbath-school Superintendent. Copies of the catalogue will be sent to any who desire to see it.

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Youngstown ch	100 17	Upper Tuscarora ch	18 00
<i>Pby of St. Clairsville</i> —Barnesville ch	5 70	Yellow Creek ch	10 80
Buffalo ch	16 15	<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Lycoming ch	40 00
Crab Apple ch	14 25	McEwensville ch	5 25
Morristown ch	9 85	New Berlin ch	6 85
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bethlehem ch	10 00	Washington ch	13 90
Canonsburg ch	8 00	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.— <i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —	
Centre Unity ch	20 00	Chatsworth ch	9 00
Corinth ch	17 20	Heyworth ch	12 00
New Cumberland ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Canton ch	5 42
New Hagerstown ch	21 00	Ipava ch	10 00
Oak Ridge ch	7 59	Mansfield ch	1 50
Waynesburgh ch	12 00	Salem ch	11 00
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Colum-		Yates City ch	7 00
bus 1st ch	61 02	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Augusta ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Liberty ch	2 50	Bardolph ch	4 50
Little Mill Creek ch	4 60	Camp Creek ch	8 00
Marysville ch	6 50	Monmouth 1st ch	36 00
Milford Centre ch	5 15	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Dun-	
Trenton ch	24 35	ton ch	12 00
York ch	6 40	Fullerton Ave ch	36 00
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Fredericksburgh ch	82 00	<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Galena Ger ch	3 50
Holmesville ch	6 50	Rockford 1st ch	25 00
Mansfield ch	17 57	<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Morris ch	25 23
Shreve ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Beulah ch	2 55
Wooster ch	58 33	Millersburg ch	18 00
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Jefferson ch	11 28	Newton ch	7 30
Martinsburg ch	9 00	Sterling ch	35 00
Norwich and Pleasant Hill chs	10 50	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —Chester	
West Carlisle ch	11 29	ch	3 50
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Bakerstown		Pleasant Ridge ch	6 00
ch, special	14 01	Viriden ch	95 20
Leetsdale ch, special	25 25	<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Bridgeport ch	2 90
Hiland ch, special	12 35	Nashville ch	5 00
Sewickley ch, special	50 00	Pisgah ch	22 00
Allegheny 1st ch, special	87 49	Union ch	2 90
Industry ch, special	2 50	SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i>	
Allegheny North ch, special	61 23	—Bethel ch	2 85
Tarentum ch, special	39 62	Darlington ch	5 79
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Concord ch	24 64	Delphi ch	12 80
Natrona ch	5 00	Dover ch	3 00
New Salem ch	16 85	Lebanon ch, add'l	1 00
North Butler ch	7 00	Rossville ch	3 00
Portersville ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Kendallville 1st ch	5 50
Scrub Grass ch	14 00	La Grange ch	10 00
Zelienople ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Bethlehem ch	3 70
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Oak Grove ch	3 00	Concord ch	4 05
Perry ch	5 00	Indian Creek ch	2 05
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Erie, Park ch	57 52	La Porte 1st ch	7 00
Franklin ch	25 00	Remington ch	11 00
Greenville ch	50 00	West Union ch	2 20
Girard ch	13 50	<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Hartford ch	2 03
Petroleum Centre ch	45 00	Union City ch	10 00
Sunville ch	5 00	SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —	
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Elderton ch	12 32	Acton ch	10 00
Freeport ch	24 00	Bethany ch	6 50
Kittanning 1st ch	300 00	Putnamville ch	2 00
Lawrenceburg ch	15 00	<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Hanover ch, special	4 00
Rural Valley ch	20 20	Jackson Co, Ger ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Hopewell ch	6 15	Lexington ch	6 00
Little Redstone ch	5 35	New Albany 1st ch	100 03
Mt Pleasant ch	10 00	Sharon ch	1 75
Neshannock ch	41 75	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Bruceville ch	1 60
Pulaski ch	6 18	Claiborne ch	10 00
Unity ch	32 00	Evansville, Vine St ch	27 50
Westfield ch	34 55	Hovesville ch	10 00
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Marcellus ch		Upper Indiana ch	7 00
	34 00	Washington ch	16 00
Meridian ch	10 00	SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —	
Sennett ch	10 00	Anamosa ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Elmira 1st ch	50 00	Marion ch	14 00
Elmira 1st ch Sab-sch	10 00	Springville ch	35 00
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Branchport ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —Jefferson ch	10 80
Geneva ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Marshalltown ch	18 05
<i>Pby of Lyons</i> —Newark ch	18 40	Waverly ch	3 00
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Carlisle		SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Bur-	
2d ch	74 97	lington ch	22 00
Great Conewago ch	12 00	Spring Creek ch	5 85
Lower Marsh Creek ch	12 00	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Libertyville ch	1 65
Rocky Spring ch	9 50	New London ch	7 41
St Thomas ch	9 50	Ottumwa ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Bedford ch	21 00	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Marengo 1st ch	5 00
Bethel ch	12 00	Tipton ch	7 60
Clearfield ch	6 00	Tipton Sab-sch	6 70
Lewistown ch	40 00	<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch	2 00
McVeytown ch	30 40	SYNOD OF KANSAS.— <i>Pby of Highland</i> —Highland	
Peru ch	6 75	ch	6 00
Phillipsburg ch	4 10	<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Geneva ch	3 00
Shaver's Creek ch	8 00	(To be continued.)	

## RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*

REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

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### PART OF AN ADDRESS BEFORE THE LATE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BY REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., SECRETARY.

It is a matter of divine revelation that God's great end in all things is his own glory; that the brightest manifestation of that glory will be His redeemed Church, raised up from the ruins of our fallen race, and presented perfect before the throne of his glory at last; and that the work of building this living temple is to be carried forward on this earth where the price of redemption was paid.

But how is this work to be done? By a direct, immediate execution of the Divine will, as when God spoke and it was done, when He said, Let there be light, and there was light? Is it to be done through the agency of some gods and demi-gods like those of heathen mythology, who live on nectar and ambrosia, or by the thousands of angels that wait before the throne? No,—the agents whom God has selected and appointed for this work are men here in the flesh, men of like passions with their ancestor who fell, men in the same fallen condition by nature with those to whom they bring the message of mercy. And God having signified this to be a special part of his plan, we would ask: Has the Divine Wisdom failed to make provisions accordingly? Who are they? They are men who must be fed and clothed and sheltered; men who are liable to disease; men who, if they live, must grow old and be subject to the infirmities of age; men who are expected to conform to that social ordinance of the God who setteth the solitary in families; last of all, they are men who *must die*. Is it to be supposed that there is nothing in the Divine plan designed to meet this exigency? or has it been left to the Church, by the mere exercise of human reason, to devise some plan of her own to meet the case? Not at all. The purposes of God in reference to this matter, the statute or ordinance, the decrees are as plain as any statute or decree on the pages of the Bible. And we have not only the language of that decree, but we have also the manifestation of the Divine Will as to the method of carrying it into effect. We need only refer to the provisions of the Mosaic economy, and of the New Testament economy.

What mean those words, "The laborer is worthy of his hire," and "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel?" And this applies not only to those who are engaged in the active duties of the ministry, but it applies *a fortiori* to the men who have done the work, and are obliged to retire from active service. So fully was provision made under the Mosaic economy for the sons of Levi, that even those who were forbidden to serve at the altar were amply supported. Even though an individual were blind, or lame, or dwarfed, or in any way deformed, so that he could not be an acting priest, the injunction was: "Yet shall he eat the bread of his God, of the most holy as well as of the holy." The Church is *bound* to care for those who have consecrated themselves to the work of the ministry, for them and all who are dependent on them. This point deserves to be pressed with great urgency, because where God has ordained a certain method, it is at our peril that we resist the



ordinance of Heaven. Who is charged with the duty of carrying out this provision—where rests the responsibility? The answer you have already given: it is an obligation imposed upon *the Church*; *the Church* is under bonds to her great Head to fulfil this trust. If there is any provision of the law, or any provision of the gospel which the Church is sacredly bound to see carried out, it is this, which lies at the very foundation of the efficiency of the Christian ministry, and the execution of the great purpose of God in reference to the ingathering of his church, and the fulfilment of the Saviour's command: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Now, since it is the *duty* of the church to use the means necessary to give full effect to this ordinance of Heaven, it follows that there is a corresponding *right*, on the part of those who labor for the cause of Christ, to receive a maintenance *as long as they live*. Is the Foreign Missionary living on charity? Is it a matter of mere charity with the domestic missionary that he is furnished with what is necessary for him and his household? The pastor of this church or of any other church, is his salary doled out to him as *alms* given to a pensioner upon human bounty, who must beg pardon of all mankind for having bread enough to keep him alive, and clothing enough to keep him from being naked? No, sir. The minister of Jesus is not called upon to go through the world crest-fallen, like a beggar, asking the church to obey God's command by giving him ample temporal support that he may go forward with the great work assigned him.

[To be continued.]

#### CONTRIBUTIONS IN AUGUST 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Troy</i> —Waterford ch		SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Philadel-</i>	
	\$21 81	<i>phia</i> —Sixth ch Philadelphia	24 50
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of St Clairsville</i>		SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —	
—Buffalo ch	21 90	Montours ch	14 25
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Amsterdam ch	6 00	SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.— <i>Pby of Holston</i> —	
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —East		Elizabethtown ch	3 25
Hopewell ch	22 00	SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of</i>	
Nashville ch	16 00	<i>Genesee</i> —North Bergen ch	7 00
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Butler</i> —Mt Nebo		<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Sparta ch	6 00
ch	4 00	SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Wisconsin</i>	
Martinsburgh ch	5 70	<i>River</i> —Lodi ch	10 38
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Kittanning 1st ch	300 00	<i>The following omitted to mention Presbyteries or</i>	
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Port		<i>Synods.</i>	
Byron ch	23 54	Niagara Falls, N Y, from A H Porter of	
Port Byron ch, add'l	7 00	Pres ch	25 00
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —		Washington, D C, Miss'y Soc'y of 6th ch	30 00
Fayetteville ch	11 00	Youngstown, N Y, ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Hollidaysburg ch	16 55	Belvidere, Ill, ch	17 25
SYNOD OF INDIANA SOUTH.— <i>Pby of New</i>		Dubuque, Iowa, 1st ch	26 11
<i>Albany</i> —New Albany 1st ch	100 00	Williamsport, Ind, ch	5 25
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.— <i>Pby of Bloom-</i>		Springfield, Ill, 1st ch	116 83
<i>ington</i> —Urbana 1st ch	16 45	Niagara Falls, N Y, ch	40 40
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Yates City ch	12 00	St Paul, Minn, Central ch	30 00
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Freeport</i>		Lewistown, Pa, ch	60 00
—Galena Ger ch	8 50	From the Committee on Memorial Fund	221 75
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Sterling ch	25 00	Malden, N Y, ch	15 25
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Mattoon</i>		Southfield, Mich, ch	8 65
—Charleston ch	15 00	Wing Lake, Mich, ch	6 72
SYNOD OF IOWA SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Iowa</i> —		Seneca, N Y, Castle ch	8 00
West Point ch	3 50	Rahway, N J, ch	30 30
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.— <i>Pby of Louisville</i> —		Rochester, N Y, Brick ch	81 72
Hopkinsville ch	1 00	Wattsburg, Pa, ch	5 00
SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.— <i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Red		Camp Point, Ill, 1st ch	7 27
Wing 1st ch	23 02	Buffalo, N Y, Central ch	37 12
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Morris and</i>		Indianola, Iowa, ch	9 71
<i>Orange</i> —Fairmount ch	6 00	Interest on Permanent Fund	273 60
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 2d ch,		Morristown, N J, South St ch	318 25
in part	11 43	Knoxville, Ill, ch	14 45
Amwell 2d ch	7 00		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Newton 1st ch	51 00	Total receipts in August	\$2,651 91
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of New York</i> —		CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer,	
New York City, Brick ch	394 08	Office, 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.	
<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Bedford ch	38 92		
New Rochelle ch, Memorial Fund,			
add'l	22 50		

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

Rev. A. C. McCLELLAND, *Cor. Secretary*, Box 544, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Rev. JAS. ALLISON, D.D., *Treasurer*, Lock Box 43, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 WM. MAIN, Esq., *Receiving Agent*, 907 Arch street, Philadelphia.

## THE GENERAL WORK.

The general work of the Committee is to plant and sustain churches, and Sabbath and Parochial Schools among the Freedmen. Some churches undertake the entire support of a teacher. Individuals, Sabbath-schools, Ladies' Missionary Societies, &c., can do the same, in whole or in part, and in return receive interesting letters from those thus supported. Boxes of good second-hand Sabbath-school Libraries, Sabbath-school papers, Presbyterian Hymn-books, and clothing, will also be very useful to, and thankfully received by these poor people. These should be sent to the field *direct*. For proper address apply to the Corresponding Secretary, box 544, Pittsburgh, Pa., who in behalf of the Committee and its work earnestly asks of all material aid and fervent prayer.

As a pleasant item under this head take the following from a missionary having charge of four churches in North Carolina.

"We have just closed a communion season at P—— T——. The whole month has been one of special labor. Three weeks ago we had one of our most pleasant communion seasons at B——. We had as large, if not the largest congregation we have ever had there. We expect to reap the fruit at the next communion. Twelve were added to the church on examination. One week ago we had a delightful communion at C——. Six were added here. Yesterday we had a great assembly at P—— T——, very orderly and attentive. I suppose that there were over two hundred and fifty communicants present. I never saw better order in any place. Twelve were added on profession. Eight adults were baptized and ten children. All my congregations seem to be in a healthy, growing state."

## SCOTIA SEMINARY FOR COLORED GIRLS.

SCOTIA SEMINARY, located at Concord, N. C., has been open but a few months, and with but the most humble accommodations. The missionary having care of this and four churches writes as follows: "Six of the best girls of Scotia Seminary have been teaching flourishing schools in the surrounding country, and also three male teachers of the other school (the parochial school at C——) have like prosperous schools, in all of which religion is made prominent. They open the schools with prayer, singing, and the catechism. Our schools now begin to show their precious fruits. We know of no way of doing good with more promise of happy results than in the support of teachers and scholars in Scotia Seminary.

"One of our good girls writes to Mrs. D——, of very pleasing success in a school which she opens with prayer and with the Child's Catechism, in a region where Presbyterianism was previously unknown. This girl has been supported the last year chiefly by the church of Goshen, Ind. Please tell the churches to sow such seed largely, being assured that the harvest will be abundant."

For this institution, among *wants now pressing* are, 1. A large cooking stove. 2. Furniture for present building, as follows, with cost at Concord, viz: stove and pipe for large school-room, \$25; stove and pipe for dining-room, \$20; for each of ten rooms, bedstead, chairs, table, wash-stand, bowl, pitcher, pail, broom, and mirror, (all heavy,) \$14.75; bed-ticking, (12 yards,) sheeting, (20 yards,) 2 pillows

with 4 cases, 1 blanket, 1 counterpane, 4 tow 's, and 11 yards rush carpet, (\$6) \$21.80—in all, \$36.55 for each room. For the heavy articles, \$14.75 is less than they can be sent from the North for, including freight, which is high. 3. Scholarships for those unable to support themselves; \$8 per month, or \$64 for the single term is the sum required. 4. Boxes of ladies' good second-hand wearing apparel, to be worn as sent, or cut and made over by the girls for their own use.

All goods designed for this seminary should be sent *direct* to Rev. L. DORLAND, Concord, N. C., who has charge, and can be addressed for further information which any may desire.

### BIDDLE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE.

THIS INSTITUTE is located at Charlotte, N.C., has for its object the training of colored preachers, catechists, and teachers for their own race, and a neighboring missionary writes as follows: "One of the noble young men from Biddle Institute teaches a prosperous school in the same dark region," (one to which he had alluded,) "and earnestly labors in the temperance cause, where intemperance and profanity abound." This is a sample of good fruit from another institution greatly needing help. Among its *present pressing wants* are, 1. Funds for the establishing of at least two professorships, of not less than \$25,000 each. 2. Scholarships of \$100 per year, perpetual, or for a short period; also, a general fund to aid those who can support themselves in part. 3. The entire furnishing of six double rooms in the main building, excepting sheets and pillow-cases. The heavy furniture for these can be procured as low at Charlotte as at the North, (freight included,) and the estimated cost for each is about \$100. In addition, there is needed for these, quilts and spreads, or blankets; dark blankets are preferred to comfortables. These articles can be gotten cheaper North than South. Renewal of beds and pillows in the present dormitory of four rooms, is also needed. 4. Table furniture—good plain cloths, dishes, spoons, cutlery, &c. 5. A new dormitory, with entire furnishing of the same, for accommodation of the increasing number of students. 6. Books suitable for the Institute library. 7. Boxes of substantial new or good second-hand clothing. All goods should be sent *direct* to Rev. S. MATTOON, D.D., Charlotte, N. C., who is President of the Institute, and will cheerfully give any further information desired.

### DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN AUGUST, 1871.

Logan's Valley ch, Presby of Huntingdon	\$5 00	Memorial Com from ch of Crawfordsville, for	
Lower Path Valley ch, Presby of Carlisle	24 00	Wallingford Academy	1 50
Burnt Cabins ch, Presby of Carlisle	8 00	Mrs A G Ruliffson, Chicago, Ill	5 00
Second ch, Plainfield, N J	46 40	Sab-sch Miss'y Soc'y, ch of Madison, N J, Presby	
West Alexander ch, Presby of Washington	65 00	of Morris and Orange	50 00
West Alexander ch, Memorial for Scotia Sem'y		A member of Pleasant Valley ch, Presby of	
	135 00	Butler	8 00
Fulton ch, Ill	7 40	First ch, Geneseo, N Y	49 38
"Mary in Heaven"	100 00	B Gates, East Canton, Pa	5 00
Central ch, Cincinnati, Ohio	143 00	Estate of Sarah McLaughlin, dec'd, late of	
Sab-sch Central ch, Cincinnati, Ohio	25 00	Beatty, Pa, a bequest	47 50
Lane Seminary ch, Ohio	96 36	Ch of Owatonna, Minn	2 85
Buck Creek ch, Ohio, Memorial	5 00	Estate of Rev J H Bates, per N Ritter	7 12
Memorial Com, per Dr Ellinwood, for ch at		Pliny F Whitcomb, Horicon, Wis	1 10
Oakland, N C	100 00	Geo W Lloyd, Horicon, Wis	2 00
Memorial Com, per Dr Ellinwood, for ch at		New Jersey ch, Presby of Miami	15 85
Lincoln Roads, N C	150 00	First ch, Trenton, Presby of New Brunswick	
Providence sch, Greeneville, Tenn	6 00		75 00
Calvary ch, colored, Presby of Union	6 00	Missionary box of a little boy and girl, Philadel-	
Mebansville Sab-sch, Presby of Yadkin	1 00	phia, Pa	1 00
Rev Geo Morris, Philadelphia, Pa, Special for		Central ch, St Paul, Minn	19 29
Scotia Seminary, per B P Hutchinson, Memorial	500 00	A friend to the Freedmen, Buffalo, Pa	20 00
Rev J B Plumstead, Portage, Wis	10 00	First ch, Thompsonville, Presby of West Chester	17 00
Connellsville ch, Presby of Redstone	60 00		40 00
First ch, Morristown, N J	44 06	Sterling ch, Presby of Rock River	26 68
First ch, Rahway, N J, Presby of Elizabeth		Lewistown ch, Pa	
	35 79	First ch, Kittanning, Presby of Kittanning	400 00
Second ch, Darby, Presby of Chester	8 00	Allentown ch, Presby of Monmouth	13 00
Mrs Jas Couper, New Castle ch, Presby of New			
Castle	10 00		
Myron Phelps and family, Lewistown, Ill	50 00		
Mrs Dr W H Magill, Danville, Pa	1 00		
Hannah Ireland, New York City	25 00		
Memorial Com from Wallingford ch, for Wal-			
lingford Academy	10 00		

\$2,484 28

JAMES ALLISON, *Treasurer*,

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## SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE.

REV. M. W. JACOBUS, D. D., *Secretary*, 318 Ridge Street, Allegheny, Pa.

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The Assembly's Committee of Sustentation organized June 20th, at Pittsburgh.

M. W. Jacobus, D. D., Allegheny, Pa., *Chairman*. James McCosh, D. D., Princeton, N. J.; Rev. S. F. Scovel, Rev. F. A. Noble, James Allison, D. D., David Robinson, Esq., Hon. J. K. Moorhead, Pittsburgh; H. N. McAllister, Esq., Bellefonte, Pa.; J. D. Vermilye, Esq., New York.

J. D. Vermilye, Esq., was chosen to represent the Committee in the *Board of Benevolence and Finance*.

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## SCHEME OF SUSTENTATION.

(I.) That all the charges throughout the Church be divided into two classes—“*Full Pastoral Charges*,” and “*Church Extension (or Mission) Charges*.” The former comprising such as have Pastors, and are sufficiently advanced to pay a salary of \$500, provided only that this be equal to the minimum hereinafter named for the membership. The latter class to include all such charges as have Stated Supplies, and such pastorates as pay less than \$500 *per annum* of salary, or less than the minimum rate per member. Only the former class are, at present, to come under the Sustentation Scheme for aid. The latter class, if *needy*, are to be under the care of the Board of Home Missions until they are advanced to full pastoral charges, and are so certified, by vote of Presbytery, as entitled to aid under this scheme.

(II.) The aim of this Sustentation Scheme shall be to make the *minimum* of salary in the full pastoral charges \$1,000 per annum. At present the annual value of the *manse* shall be included in this, but ultimately, and so soon as possible, \$1,000 *in money* shall be the minimum, it being always understood that the pastor shall be wholly employed in his work, and that no grant shall be made without the endorsement of the Presbytery.

(III.) That only those churches shall be at present entitled to aid from the Sustentation Fund, who are paying the pastor an average of \$7.30 per annum for each member.

(IV.) It is further provided, That each Presbytery be enjoined by the General Assembly, through the Synod, to investigate immediately the case of all churches having over 200 members, who are paying less than \$1,000 salary, and that unless good and sufficient cause can be shown for the lack, those churches be enjoined to raise the amount to an average of \$7.30 per member, as the fair minimum for the pastor, and that all cases of flagrant neglect be treated by the Presbytery, as the case may be, reporting the same to the Synod and General Assembly.

(V.) It is provided, That every church session, as a condition of aid from this scheme, shall, in coöperation with the trustees, or other representatives of the congregation, appoint a committee who shall institute and carry out a plan of

weekly or monthly contribution to this object, and to all the Boards of the Church, so as to present to every member of the church and congregation the opportunity of such stated contribution, according to the apostolic order, (1 Cor. xvi. 2,) that so every church seeking aid may give every reasonable assurance of self-aid, as an ordinance of worship, in the way of God's appointment, and according as it has gone well with them.

(VI.) That, in like manner not only such churches as are aided by this scheme, but every church session, be required by the General Assembly to set on foot forthwith, and to earnestly prosecute, a plan that shall extend to every member of the congregation an opportunity of contributing to this cause, (and to all the Boards of the Church,) either by the envelope system or by collectors, reaching each in person; and that the Presbyteries be enjoined to see to it that this requirement is complied with.

(VII.) To cultivate the principle of ministerial fraternity and sympathy, that each pastor shall aim to secure from his people an amount equal to at least one-twentieth (and rather one-tenth) of his own salary, annually, towards supplementing the salaries under this scheme.

(VIII.) That each church be required to report, through the Presbytery, to the General Assembly, the pastor's salary actually paid by them for the year, (and any arrearage, if there be any,) and that this be published in a separate column of the Assembly's Minutes, year by year.

(IX.) That each Presbytery shall appoint one efficient member, whose duty it shall be to examine every application for aid under this scheme, and to report to Presbytery full information as to the prospects of the church for usefulness and growth, and as to the possibility of consolidation, or association, with a neighboring church, and as to the amount of self-help, with other conditions, entitling it to aid under this scheme. Also, to receive moneys from the churches of the Presbytery, and to remit monthly to the Central Sustentation Committee.

(X.) That a Central Committee of *Nine* be annually appointed by the General Assembly, to supervise this work, having a Secretary to conduct the operations, and to keep accounts with the Presbyterian Treasurers of Sustentation, and every way, and by all means, to further the great object in view.

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The Secretary was requested to prepare and issue a Circular to the churches, explaining the objects and plan of this Committee, and calling for the contributions of the people to this object. Applications are coming in, and the funds are urgently needed.

The Circular is as follows:

*(Please read from the Pulpit.)*

SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE, 318 Ridge Street, Allegheny, Pa.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, in Reunion at Pittsburgh, proposed a SUSTENTATION SCHEME, as a prominent item in their GREAT MEMORIAL WORK.

They recognized the teaching of our Lord that "the workman is worthy of his meat," and of Paul, that "the laborer is worthy of his reward," and recognizing also, the serious fact, reported at Chicago by their committee, that so many of the laborers in our Presbyterian field are so poorly sustained, they adopted a scheme

for supplementing salaries between \$500 and \$1,000, under certain conditions and limitations.

(I.) THE SCHEME IS THOROUGHLY PRESBYTERIAN.

(A.)—*As to its conditions of aid.* (a.)—It requires the minister to be a Pastor, and not a Stated Supply. (b.)—That the church be systematically contributing to all the Boards of the Church, by a plan that shall reach every member and adherent. (c.)—That the Presbytery shall supervise the working in their bounds; examine by committee every application, and that no grant of money shall be made without its endorsement. Thus it is required that every church which is aided by this scheme, shall first be fully equipped and in working order on Presbyterian principles.

(B.)—*As to its operation and effects:* (a.)—It encourages Stated Supplies to become Pastors, and thus it tends to bring into regular Presbyterian relations that large number (over 1000) who are serving the churches by the year, and are not constitutionally inducted into their charges. (b.)—It discourages long vacancies in the pastorate, by making the actual pastoral relation a condition of aid. (c.)—It tends to *purge the Church lists* of the aid-receiving churches, who must pay their *pro rata* as a condition, and cannot afford to have their roll cumbered with those who are not to be found. Thus it works to the orderly maintenance of these churches on Presbyterian principles. (d.)—It requires that the Pastor be wholly given to his work.

(II.) THE SCHEME IS CAUTIOUS AND WELL GUARDED, as to its checks and limitations.

(a.)—It raises a *standard of minimum contribution*, which has not hitherto been done, and thus requires the aid-receiving church to be self-helping—\$7.30 per member, or *two cents per day*, being the least *quota*, as an average for the membership. (b.)—It gives timely and effective help to weak churches, who have advanced so far as to give good promise of full establishment and permanency. It leaves to the Board of Home Missions to do the work of *planting*. This Committee's work is that of *nurturing*. The Board of Home Missions helps at the start, and until the church is strong enough to pay the pastor at least \$500 salary and \$7.30 per member. Then this scheme relieves the Board of this class, and brings the salary up to \$1,000, (manse-rental included,) that so the church may be helped in the midst of its own efforts, and the pastor be put in a condition to devote himself wholly to its up-building and increase, until by advancing the rate, or, at utmost, by reaching 138 members averaging \$7.30 each, it will fall out of this scheme, by being self-supporting to the extent of \$1,000 salary. This Committee proposes to work in close connection and coöperation with the Home Mission Board, laying before that Board a frequent report of its appropriations, that so there may be clear distinction kept up in the operations of both. There will be no interference with the Home Mission Board, but hearty concurrence and mutual assistance. In order to this, a member of the Home Mission Board is made a member of this Committee.

The churches will surely discriminate between the objects. That the Home Mission Board may give itself wholly to its proper pioneer work, this Committee takes in hand what has been done hitherto only in small part by assisting, under the class of *Missionaries*, many devoted *Pastors* who have been struggling at their posts—and thus it is proposed to enlarge the operation of sustaining on the field the men whom *God has ordained to live of the Gospel*—commanding, thus, all the time of many who are now obliged to give themselves in part to secular pursuits for supplementing the inadequate support of the Church.

This object, it is believed, will meet the feeling of obligation long cherished in our body, by doing some justice, however small and tardy, to the ministry of our Church in feeble districts. It will set before the people a feasible scheme for meeting this obligation on the most prudential and Presbyterian plan. It will relieve the Board of Home Missions and simplify its work. It will encourage the establishment of new churches, by this prospect of timely help. And it will lift



many a struggling church and pastor into a condition of larger promise and progress. It will remove a shameful reproach from our strong and favored Church before other churches and the world, by thus "*providing for them of its own house;*" and it will go thus far to redeem the high and holy pledge of our *Memorial Year*, and to push forward our church-work in all its departments, by *giving the laborer his meat*. It will present to the well-favored pastors the graceful and gracious opportunity of inciting their stronger churches to bear the infirmities of the weak, and "to bear one another's burdens," and so fulfil the law of Christ. It will invite men to our ministry by fair prospect of support. It will apply the promises to the Church—promises which are conditioned upon fidelity to one another and to God; and only so may we hope for God's blessing and the best results. If any could suppose that the sum of \$1,000 might, in some cases, be more than sufficient, it must be understood that the plan contemplates the endorsement of the Presbytery in each case, so that no one will be likely to receive too much, even if this amount, in this day, could be regarded as too much for any pastor wholly given to his work. And especially, it will promulgate and emphasize the great idea that the Church we serve is *one*, and that we are "*members, one of another.*" We believe that our Presbyterian Church has this vital object at heart, and feels strong enough now, in its reunion, to enter upon this pleasant work of giving to the ministry of Christ in our bounds some minimum of support. It will initiate a Scheme of Systematic Beneficence, which is the key to our Finances; and every interest of the Church will be promoted by any adequate support of the ministry in the pastoral relation.

And as regards the work of "*Ministerial Relief;*" it will be easy to discriminate, as that work aims to help ministers who have become *disabled* or worn down in the service; or to help the needy families of such as have deceased without means for their support. That is a work which results from the lack of Sustentation, and which seeks to help only when it is too late for encouraging the minister in his labors; which comes to his relief only when he is laid aside by unsupported toil, or helps his destitute household only when he is in the grave. The existence of such a charity in our Church, known as "*Ministerial Relief;*" is the confession of neglect in the department of *Sustentation*. Shall we not aid these servants of Christ *while they are at work, and while they could thus be encouraged and stimulated in service, and not wait to do them some small justice when they are disabled or dead—Disabled and dead often for lack of the seasonable pittance we could give?* Save us from the reproach of a starving ministry!

The General Assembly adopted the *Sustentation Scheme*, in all its features, by a unanimous vote, requiring of all the churches to set on foot a plan for systematic contribution to this cause, and urging all the pastors to call for an amount equal at least to one-twentieth or one-tenth of the salary paid to them, for supplementing the salaries provided for by this scheme. The envelope system is recommended, but other methods may be used, only so as that in each church every one shall be reached.

The Assembly requires a Committee, from the Session and Trustees (or congregation,) to be promptly formed in each church, to present this, and the other Boards, to every stated worshipper for systematic contribution. Organization is needed; prompt action is needed; Christian sympathy for the toiling ministry is needed; liberality is needed; prayer is needed. Upon the pastor and elders in each church, it will mainly depend to establish this important scheme, according to the unanimous order of the General Assembly.

M. W. JACOBUS, *Secretary.*

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#### RECEIPTS IN JUNE, 1871.

From Memorial Committee, in part,.....	\$1521 29
From Central Church, Pittsburgh, (Dr. Jacobus) in part	574 35
Total.....	\$2095 64

M. W. JACOBUS, *Secretary.*

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

RESPONSES FROM "OUR FRIENDS."

In the *Record* for September, we invited our friends to attend with us the opening of the letters of a day in our office, and the consideration of the various topics therein contained. Their opinions on those subjects were solicited, and from a large number of responses we copy the following:

1st. A letter from a late missionary.

*Dear Brother,*—The *Presbyterian Monthly Record* for September is just received, and my object, in writing you now, is to express my pleasure and gratification in reading your report in it—"A Day among our Friends." I have always endeavored to read the reports of the Boards in the *Record* from a *sense of duty*, that I might be enabled to inform my people, but seldom with pleasure or profit. There seemed to be a great gulf between myself and missionaries, and the Boards, which I could not cross so as to feel at home with them, and I have often asked myself the question—Why cannot Boards make their reports more interesting?

I think you have answered that question satisfactorily in that number of the *Record*. I like the *method* of report—question, and answer. The missionary states his case and asks advice and sympathy. The Board answers in kind and encouraging words, and is not afraid to state an opinion. I like your frank statement of your policy, and the reasons for it, even in particular cases. It satisfies the missionaries and the churches. It encourages others to propose questions, to state their grievances, or difficulties, or plans for usefulness, and receive advice prompted by experience, or of those who have better opportunities of testing the practical value of schemes, or of solving perplexing difficulties.

You ask us what we think on all these topics? For my part, I can fully endorse your views on all subjects treated, as eminently wise.

Truth will always bear light. Do not be afraid to let people know, not only

your difficulties, but your *solutions* of them. Let us know what missionaries are *saying*, and *doing*, and *thinking*, and then your own thoughts on the same subject.

I hope this will not be the last "Day among our Friends" with which we will be favored. May God bless and prosper you in your work, and you may expect from me a hearty support and encouragement.

Yours in Christian bonds,

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Another missionary writes:

I was much pleased with our visit to 30 Vesey Street, New York, last evening—in the *Presbyterian Monthly*—interesting talk. We are here with the purpose of preaching all around in this waste. May the Lord enable us to stick here and labor abundantly in his cause, and may it not be in vain in the Lord.

*"On Preaching and Farming."*

One writes:

*Dear Brother*,—Yours of the 30th ult. came to hand to-day, and the same mail brought the *Monthly* of September. As to *farming*, I would not pass a rule unchanging as the laws of the Medes and Persians, that no man who has a farm shall be in commission by the Board, but I would have it understood that the man who has a commission is for preaching and nothing else, and must show that it is a special case indeed, that shall admit of any other course. The farming ministers *don't* pay.

On the case of "practical dishonesty," referred to—that is of a church asking more than it needed—expecting to be cut down, he adds:

I was amused at the case: I see too much of just such things, it is *not* a very uncommon matter, and that is specially the case when a Presbytery composed almost entirely of home missionaries fix up the applications of each other in open Presbytery. The first question some churches ask is, How much can we get from the Board? and they make their reports accordingly.

Another minister who is in business, and yet a missionary, says:

It was known to the brethren when they urged me to take charge of the churches (for I presented it as an objection) that I had means; and was interested in business. My son is at the head of a banking house. God has been good to me, and I am enabled and disposed to do for his church at home and abroad, but this stands in the way of raising a salary by the churches. I have helped them to build, &c., but I cannot talk salary; cannot think of the officers begging and receiving as *charity*. They are in arrears for last year, and will be more so this year. They wanted to ask you for five hundred dollars, I said no, four hundred and fifty dollars. You cut it down to three hundred and fifty dollars. I say all right. The churches should learn to exert themselves, and I believe it will be better for the churches if I desist and have them find another man.

*On "Cutting Down" Applications for Aid.*

I think I can and do appreciate the delicate and difficult duties which you and the members of the Board have to perform. While I dislike the plan of cutting down, I believe it is often absolutely necessary that equal



justice be done. Some are more forward, and make larger demands; and others are diffident, and backward, and make less demands, and consequently some men get larger salaries, and get the endorsement of Presbytery by presenting their claims and necessities as more urgent. One admits that he can live on \$600 or \$800. Another contends that he *cannot* get through on less than \$900 or \$1000, and he gets the majority of Presbytery to think so, but the situations of each are about the same. It is my opinion that a minister in nearly all our county seats, (the capital of the State excepted) in Des Moines Presbytery, can, with proper economy and care, live and meet all necessary expenses on \$800. With this sum no one need suffer. If the funds of the Board justify giving more, do so. But I give it as my deliberate conviction that there should be no cutting down of the salary of any one who receives less than \$800, but applications that ask more than \$800, in my opinion, should be cut down, except in very special cases, unless the funds justify a greater amount than \$800. There is no good reason to justify giving a man in a county-seat \$900 or \$1000, to preach all the time in one place, and letting the missionary who preaches near by in the country, in two or three different places, and to more people than the other, and who buys all his supplies in the same market as the other, receive \$800 or less. It is a fact thus far, that the men who do the most work, and hardest work, and ride through mud, wind, and storm, labor and live on the least salary, and at the same time purchase everything in the same market, and pay the same prices. You have my approval in cutting down all salaries to \$800, until you are able to give more, but cut down none who receive less than \$800.

*The German Problem.*

On that question we have the following letters:—

In the monthly *Record* of September, wherein you gave an extract of one of my letters in regard to the German problem, my opinion is that you have hit the right mark by saying that it is a waste of effort to keep up religious services in German exclusively. The same may be said of the French, Holland, Scandinavian, and any other language. It is an outrage that children born in this country should be educated and hammered in the old customs and manners of the fatherland.

I have never seen a revival of religion in any church where these customs prevail. Contrariwise, bitter feelings and animosities against all other churches, and especially against the American element, are kept alive in nearly all German churches. The result is, that children when they come to years of understanding are cold and lifeless members, or, disgusted with the old style and manners, run into riot and infidelity.

My candid opinion therefore is and has been from the beginning, that no church ought to be sustained among our foreign population where at least no effort is made in Sabbath-school or church to introduce the English language. It can be done, and it must be done, and though I have incurred the wrath

of many of my foreign brethren in the ministry, I will continue to say with old father Luther, "Here I take my stand, I can do no otherwise, so help me God! Amen."

A German brother whose ideas are clear, deserves now to be heard. He says:—

*Dear Brethren*,—I have read yours and a German missionary's remarks in the *Record*, on the German Problem. I was very glad to hear that you did not think that all the German people are a God-forsaken class, that are lost without recovery. Shall any man find fault with a minister of God if he teaches the children of his congregation the gospel and the truth as it is in Jesus, in the language the children learned on their father's knee and their mother's bosom, or shall any person be so foolish as to think that the children are better able to understand the gospel and like it better if it is spoken to them in a foreign language, than it would be if it was presented to them in their mother tongue?

Would a great many Germans understand religious truth in English? I say, no. They understand the words *yes* and *no*, and can talk about the weather, and about their every-day business, but the most of our Germans, old and young, are not able to answer, if you ask them what regeneration, justification, sanctification, or glorification means. You might ask them questions like these, and they would not be able to answer them, for they never heard of them before. It seems to be foolish to say that no person can value and appreciate the laws of their *adopted* fatherland who preach and hear the gospel in German. Thousands of German-speaking citizens died on Southern battle-fields for freedom, law, and right. I and thousands of other Germans were made citizens of this glorious republic for serving in our army or our navy, and for helping to reestablish law, liberty, and freedom. The time may come when the Germans will have a great influence in the government of this land, and I think that it will be better for them and for the land, that they be Christianized as well as Americanized. An American may have a bad influence, but a Christian will have at all times a Christian influence.

Now let others speak, but not all at once!

Meanwhile, let us inquire what Home Missionary Boards are made for. Some of our brethren seem to think that we are bound to aid them, any way and at all times, and that they are pensioners on our bounty.

No mistake could be greater. We do grant aid to missionaries, but the leading idea is, that we do it not to aid him, but to aid the church he serves. But we cannot support him, or carry him, or aid him independently of his services for the church. We may pity him, we may pity his family, we may help them from our private resources; but the Missionary Board is organized to aid the feeble churches and not the needy ministers.

The following facts have suggested these thoughts:

A man wished for three hundred dollars to make a salary of one thousand dollars in an Eastern State. He could not get it. The next we hear of him, he has gone to a frontier State and made arrangements to serve a church for twelve hundred dollars, expecting us to pay nine hundred dollars!

Another Missionary writes us, saying: "Four hundred dollars would once do, but now eight hundred dollars is expected, and the expectation is the legitimate result of the action of the General Assembly."

Yes, during the war, when gold was at from \$1.75 to \$2.40, some of these men had but four hundred dollars. But now they must have eight hundred dollars.

Why? Because the Assembly passed a resolution *authorizing and empowering* the Board to pay the missionaries eight hundred dollars.

And yet, the resolution was very much like our Board authorizing and empowering Commodore Vanderbilt to pay all the salaries of our missionaries. The difference is only this: Commodore Vanderbilt *could* pay all our missionaries if he would; we could not pay all the missionaries at that rate if we would.

But some men are *coming to their senses*. One of the members of a Presbyterian Committee has *resigned*, because his brethren are asking at our hands such extravagant rates. He cannot conscientiously endorse such large sums.

Another Missionary writes:

Of the year which has just closed, the last quarter has been in some respects the most pleasant in my work. Not so much that there have been larger *immediate* results than before, as that the advance of two churches (at least) towards a higher Christian life promises for their greater and permanent usefulness. You are aware of the *serious* difficulties which have stood in the way of the solid prosperity of our Zion. 1st. A lack of liberality in supporting the ministry, and a want of interest in the benevolent operations of the whole church. 2d. A disposition of the laity generally to do as little *work* for Christ as decency would allow. Believing that the first named condition precludes all hope of permanent and useful life in a church, and that such life is sure to remove the last condition, I have, during the last four or five months, preached very plainly to each of my charges on the subject of giving to Christ's cause. At G—— especially, a way seemed to be open for faithful dealing with the people as to this duty. With the prospect of securing a minister, with whom I was in correspondence, for that church, I told the congregation a few very unwelcome truths about their shortcomings in the past; calling things by their true Anglo-saxon names, and without being afraid of hurting some brother's feelings. With the hope, for some time entertained, that it might be influenced to secure the services of another minister, thus releasing me from a field of labor which (for personal reasons) was rather unpleasant, I found it easy to preach in a manner that would otherwise have been avoided. God has evidently blessed the truth. Not only did the G—— church contribute more liberally towards that brother's support (during the two months of his service) than it had ever done, but it assumes for the future the position of a more liberal church—promising (without aid from the Board) an amount sufficient to support its minister. K—— has also offered a larger amount for a minister's salary than it has given at any time since the war. This is especially encouraging, inasmuch as the numerical strength of the church is greatly reduced by the organization of two other churches within its bounds.

So let the good work go on. The churches must do more for themselves, and for their pastors, and rely less on the Board.

#### KANSAS.

##### FROM A NEW TOWN.

There is not a great deal to report since I last wrote you. There is a substantial, if not a rapid growth. We received into our little church at our last

communion six new members—five by letter, and one by profession of faith. Our congregations on the Sabbath continue encouragingly large, and the interest in the Sabbath-school is well maintained, and our prayer-meeting



shows symptoms of a healthier condition, in gratitude for divine mercies, and a spirit of more earnest prayer. We are hoping and praying for times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

Yesterday I went into a neighborhood about three miles away, and preached to an audience of about thirty souls. My health has not been such as to bear this labor before, in addition to my three services on the Sabbath; but I hope to be able to do more of this work.

N. B.—Next Sabbath we shall take up a collection for the Board, according to notice given last Sabbath.

#### TIDES OF IMMIGRATION.

During the last three months I have preached for the most part three times a day; and have ridden often in the afternoons from fifteen to twenty miles. In every direction I have had large congregations. At one point where I have had a stated service on alternate Sabbath afternoons, my congregation has steadily increased, until it is up to the capacity of the room. Our enterprise at Concordia is fully organized—elders and trustees elected; membership twenty-two; others expected. Just now there is considerable excitement in reference to a railroad. The probability is that the Central Branch from Atchison to Waterville will be continued to this point. You will see the importance of fully occupying this place—a land-office town, and a probable railroad centre, likewise a county seat. I am laboring here alone. Emigration is proceeding one hundred miles West. New towns are springing up, which if occupied now or speedily by our Church, would be secured for all time. I am kept very busy, but must find time to know something about the region west, that I may give you definite information. From inquiry I hear that there are a tier of towns within thirty to fifty miles of us that have no preaching, and would welcome an intelligent minister. They are disgusted with ignorance, and no man can gain their respect

or attention unless he be thoroughly educated. My aim has been to preach plainly, but to respect the intelligence of my hearers, and in doing so I have increased my influence. My health has greatly improved since I came here, and I can preach with greater ease than when in the East.

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#### WISCONSIN.

*Dear Brother,*—The third quarter of my first year in this field has just closed. It has been a prosperous quarter so far as outward appearance is concerned. Held our first communion in our new organization at Louis Valley; it was an occasion of tender interest. The attendance on public service there has been very good, and a good share of interest has been manifested in our enterprise. Though we have a pleasant hall in which to worship, yet we need a house of our own to give us permanency and strength. I have also commenced service in another place where missionary labor is greatly needed, and still another point is anxious to secure my services.

I devote the afternoon and evening to these outposts. One service and Sabbath-school is all we can maintain in the church at N—, on account of the distance that many of our families have to come. This service is well attended. Our Sabbath-school averages over one hundred. We have started two other Sabbath-schools in the bounds of my field. There is here a wide field for useful men, and I find that my greatest difficulty will be to concentrate my labors, and not spread them over too great a territory.

My installation in the church of W— will take place next week. We will try to come as near to a self-sustaining church as possible. We have during the quarter spent one hundred and fifty dollars on repairs on our church. It now presents a very neat and comfortable appearance. We still keep up our monthly contributions to the Boards, and will devote two months to the Board of Missions.

## EAST TENNESSEE.

Dear Brother,—I here send my report for the fourth quarter of this year. God has so bestowed health that every Sabbath has been occupied with work, and indeed, I may say, I have not had a sick day during the year. I am working in the midst of error, sown night and day, with the greatest diligence.

I have taken up all the collections enjoined by the General Assembly but one, that for Church Erection. And as we are building a church at an out-station, and doing it *all within ourselves*, it was thought best not to urge the matter this year.

This people had been *torn asunder, peeled and scattered* during the war, and without a pastor for eight years. We are now measurably united, have a flourishing Sabbath-school, and every prospect of seeing *permanent success*. They have only been able to contribute about one hundred dollars towards my support, which leaves two hundred to come out of my pocket.

We shall add another station to this charge next year, and it is hoped the deficit will not be as large. The Presbytery soon meets, when the usual application will be forwarded.

## HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN SEPTEMBER, 1871.

Rev. Wm. B. Cary, Kas.  
 Rev. A. S. Gardner, Jamaica Plain ch., Mass.  
 Rev. W. J. Henderson, E. Nassau and Brainerd ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. John Bradshaw, Mooers ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. A. McMaster, Nichols ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. W. R. Halbert, Apalachin ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. Robert McKenzie, Morristown ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. Robert T. Conant, De Kalb ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. E. G. Bickford, Chaumont ch., N. Y.  
 Rev. F. Hendricks, Philadelphia, Mantua 2d ch., Pa.  
 Rev. S. Schaffer, Dimock and Springville chs., Pa.  
 Rev. J. M. Nourse, Hughes River ch., W. Va.  
 Rev. G. J. Reed, Columbia and Ebenezer chs., Ky.  
 Rev. J. F. Hill, Vervilla ch., Tenn.  
 Rev. R. R. Salter, D.D., Jersey ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Jotham Sewall, Thornton Station ch., Ill.  
 Rev. Philip Roser, Queen Ann Ger. ch., Ill.  
 Rev. E. W. Taylor, Walnut Grove and Sheffield chs., Ill.  
 Rev. G. C. Clark, Mt. Vernon ch., Ill.  
 Rev. J. C. Wagaman, Nashville ch., Ill.  
 Rev. A. Herrick, Byron and Mundy chs., Mich.  
 Rev. H. H. Morgan, Plainwell ch., Mich.  
 Rev. Geo. Ransom, Muir ch., Mich.  
 Rev. C. A. Munn, Big Rapids ch., Mich.  
 Rev. W. R. Higgins, Superior ch., Wis.  
 Rev. W. A. Ward, Oakland and Cambridge chs., Wis.  
 Rev. O. W. Winchester, Jefferson ch., Wis.  
 Rev. J. M. Boyd, Barton ch., Wis.  
 Rev. Geo. A. Hutchinson, Poynette and Lowville chs., Wis.  
 Rev. C. Richards, Pardeeville ch., Wis.  
 Rev. J. L. Howell, Chatfield ch., Minn.  
 Rev. W. S. Wilson, Owatonna ch., Minn.  
 Rev. H. W. Todd, Lake City ch., Minn.

Rev. S. D. Westfall, Red Wood Falls and Beaver Falls chs., Minn.  
 Rev. C. B. Austin, Thomson, The Junction and Pine City chs., Minn.  
 Rev. J. M. Batchelder, Albia ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. S. W. Elliott, Woodburn and Russell chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. John D. Jones, Plymouth and Columbia chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. Geo. L. Little, Newton ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. Osmond, Osceola ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. W. L. Lyons, Prairie Creek, Bethel, Dakota, and Springvale chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. D. Russell, Manchester ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. John Gilmore, Andrew and Farmer's Creek chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. J. Cooke, Moingona and Concord chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. I. Reid, Nevada ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. C. S. Marvin, Floyd ch., Iowa.  
 Rev. C. M. Howe, Eldora and Point Pleasant chs., Iowa.  
 Rev. James Reed, Laclede ch., Mo.  
 Rev. J. G. Rankin, Ferguson ch., Mo.  
 Rev. D. C. Milner, Osceola ch., Mo.  
 Rev. P. Read, Sugar Creek and Austin chs., Mo.  
 Rev. J. H. France, Lathrop, and Mirable chs., Mo.  
 Rev. J. M. Crawford, Maryville ch., Mo.  
 Rev. D. McRuer, Knox ch., Mo.  
 Rev. J. C. McElroy, Spring Hill ch., Kas.  
 Rev. G. W. Hays, Salina ch., Kas.  
 Rev. D. D. Green, Doniphan and Wathena chs., Kas.  
 Rev. J. S. Sherrill, Neosho Falls and Carlyle chs., Kas.  
 Rev. D. H. Mitchell, Georgetown ch., Col.  
 Rev. W. W. McNair, Atlantic City ch., N. J.  
 Rev. M. Holmes, Capron ch., Ill.  
 Rev. B. F. De Witt, Williamsburg ch., Ohio.  
 Rev. Luke Nott, Clare and Isabella Co's, Mich.

## RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN SEPTEMBER, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Jefferson ch  
 5. *Pby of Columbia*—Centreville ch, quarterly  
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SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Yadkin*—Statesville,  
 Colored ch 2 00  
 SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—West-



minster ch, Baltimore, a member for August 6;  
Churchville ch 30 36 00

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Concord ch 8; Marshall ch 6. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Cincinnati 3d ch 175. *Pby of Dayton*—Miami City 1st ch 50; Camden ch 5 244 00

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—La Fayette ch 4 72; Solon ch 10. *Pby of Steubenville*—Yellow Creek ch 33 25; Bethesda ch 10 57 97

SYNOD OF COLORADO.—*Pby of Wyoming*—Cheyenne ch 15 00

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Columbus*—Lower Liberty ch 5; Columbus 2d ch 203 50. *Pby of Marion*—Bloomfield ch 4 25; Iberia ch 7 75. *Pby of Wooster*—Wooster ch 90 78. *Pby of Zanesville*—Muskumgum ch 30; Rev Edmund Garland and wife 20; Linton ch 11 377 23

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Bellevue ch 10 29. *Pby of Clarion*—Licking ch 32. *Pby of Erie*—Erie 1st ch 75; North East ch 112; Mill Creek ch 11. *Pby of Kittanning*—Indiana ch, from Col Thos Laughlin 200 440 29

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Springport ch 8 35. *Pby of Chemung*—Dunee ch 19. *Pby of Geneva*—Seneca Castle ch 90 16. *Pby of Lyons*—Palmyra ch Miss'y Asso'n 62, Sab-sch 61 14 = 123 14 240 65

SYNOD OF HARRISBURGH.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Great Conewago ch, from Mrs Maria Melhenny 5; Lower Path Valley ch, "a friend" 30 35 00

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Bloomington*—Normal ch 13 70; Piper City ch 15; Crow Meadow ch 5; Reading ch 5. *Pby of Peoria*—Rev A L Chapin 15. *Pby of Schuyler*—Monmouth ch 8 Sab-sch 25. *Pby of Springfield*—Springfield 1st ch 144 44; Bethel ch 2 225 14

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Chicago 2d ch, in part 650. *Pby of Freeport*—Queen Ann Ger ch 6 50. *Pby of Ottawa*—Morns ch 23 684 50

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Sugar Creek ch 23; Georgetown ch 8. *Pby of Mattoon*—Mattoon 1st ch 10; Kansas ch 20 35; Taylorville ch 6 55 67 90

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Rockville ch 20 75

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Dubuque*—Prairie ch 6. *Pby of Waterloo*—Orford ch 4 20 10 20

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Corydon ch 3 60. *Pby of Iowa*—Winfield ch 6 40. *Pby of Iowa City*—Walcott ch 6 50. *Pby of Missouri River*—Rev A L Payson 5, Memorial 21 50

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Lexington 2d ch, from Mrs. Haines 2 50. *Pby of Louisville*—Plum Creek ch 14 15. *Pby of Transylvania*—New Providence ch, from J S Graham and family 5 21 65

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St 25 73, mon con; Brooklyn 2d ch Sab-sch 100, add'l. *Pby of Long Island*—Greenport ch 21 146 73

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Grand Rapids*—Stanton ch 10. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Parkville ch 8. *Pby of Lansing*—Albion ch 10; Battle Creek ch 53 50. *Pby of Monroe*—Raisin ch 17 93 50

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Mankato*—Blue Earth City ch 30 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of St Louis*—Bethel Ger ch 20 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Summit West ch 23; Westminister ch, Elizabeth 546. *Pby of Monmouth*—Port Washington ch 25. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Monnt Freedom ch 30, add'l. *Pby of Newark*—Bloomfield Ger ch 13 56. *Pby of Newton*—Oxford 2d ch Sab-sch Miss'y Soc'y 26 30. *Pby of West Jersey*—Fislerville ch Sab-sch 10 05 673 61

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—Londonderry ch 16 50, add'l. *Pby of Hudson*—Scotchtown ch 103 90; Washingtonville 2d ch 10, add'l; Monroe ch 14. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch

Chapel 52 05; Fourth Ave ch 35 53, mon coll 100, from "H I" = 135 56. *Pby of North River*—Calvary ch, Newburgh 29 45. *Pby of Westchester*—Yonkers 1st ch 22 93, mon con 389 39

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Benicia*—Vallejo ch 25; Windsor 4; Mark West 3 75; Tomales ch 20 80. *Pby of San José*—Tule River ch 4; Alameda 1st ch 30 87 53

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Lackawanna*—Terrytown ch 2 50. *Pby of Lehigh*—Easton 1st ch 115; Shenandoah ch, of which Sab-sch 8 29, 20 26. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Oxford ch 3 00; North Tenth St ch 15. Memorial. *Pby of Westminster*—Slateville ch 26; New Harmony ch in part, 10 488 76

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Pittsburgh*—Centre ch 34 50; Grace ch 7 83. Memorial. *Pby of Washington*—West Alexandria ch 10, Memorial. *Pby of West Virginia*—Clarksburg ch 17 69 38

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Lima*—Highland ch 2 30. *Pby of Maumee*—Mount Salem ch 12 14 30

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Otsego*—Otego ch 5. *Pby of Utica*—Rome ch, Miss'y Ass'n 31 25; New York Mills ch. D W Walcott 62 50, Mr and Mrs W S Walcott 30, Mrs B S Walcott 53, and sundry other persons 53 90 = 201 40; Utica 1st ch. C C Kingsley 100 0, Sab-sch 62 50. Mrs A D Barber 50 = 1,112 50. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Morristown ch 23 15 1,373 30

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Genesee*—Stone ch 23. *Pby of Niagara*—Niagara Falls ch Sab-sch 50. *Pby of Rochester*—Rochester Central ch, from A Champion. Esq 500; Dansville ch 98 22; Brockport ch 57 21, of which 5 from Miss E F Minot; Rochester Brick ch 163 50, of which Ladies H M Soc'y 62 50 891 92

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Milwaukee*—Beloit Ger ch 5. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Platteville Ger ch 7; Killbourn City ch 11; Middleton ch 8 31 00

Total received from churches, \$6,830 62

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Peter B Porter, dec'd, late of Niagara Falls, N Y 1000; Legacy in part of Daniel Murray, late of Ind 62 50; Ferry Ministry Fund 75 1,137 50

MISCELLANEOUS.—D, interior of Pennsylvania, 10; Trustees of Presbyterian House, one year's interest on Benjamin Fund 665; Reuben Tyler, Esq, Cincinnati, Ohio 250; Rev Cyrus Dickson, D.D, expenses to Pacific Coast refunded 350 1,275 00

Total in September, \$9,243 12

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
30 Vesey Street, New York.

#### CLOTHING.

1 box from the ladies of Omaha 2d ch, Nebraska valued at 100 00  
1 box from the ladies of South Salem ch. N Y, valued at 100 00

\$260 00

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIEOUS, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

### NOT WITH WISDOM OF WORDS.

So said the ablest and best educated apostle, addressing a church of the most intellectual nation of antiquity. "Not with wisdom of words;" there is something far mightier, far sharper, far deadlier to carnal pride and opposition to God. There is a weapon with which a handful of poor fishermen conquered the proudest empires. That weapon is as mighty through God to-day as it was eighteen centuries ago.

No man in modern times has produced greater effects through his preaching than Dr. Thomas Chalmers. The Free Church of Scotland might almost be called his monument. Its mighty revivals, its vast beneficence, the saintly piety of its ministry, and the sweet savor of it which has gone into all living tongues through their writings, and their burning missionary zeal, may be traced more to the spirit and labors of Chalmers than to those of any other man. The following statement of the instrument of his pulpit power is of inestimable value to the preacher of the gospel.

"Careful exposition, showing beyond all question what is the mind of God in the text, is the indispensable first thing in every sermon. Without this, the sword of the Spirit is, practically, not there. The sword sheathed is of no avail. Let it be first drawn by exposition, and then let it be wielded with a will. \* \* \* The hearers must see what is the mind of God in the text, and then that mind of God is to be used for their reformation. It is not enough that the preacher preach the truth; the hearers must know for themselves that it is the very truth of God. The power does not lie simply in the truth, but in the truth perceived to be of God. \* \* \* When this point has been gained, *then the power of preaching is the power of God.*"

In these days, when "philosophy," and "culture," and accomplishments and arts of so many kinds seduce preachers and hearers from "Christ, the wisdom of God, and the power of God," let us, while we use all things which are necessary, as subsidiary to the cross of Christ, keeping this before us: "not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect;"—"not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." This will conquer America; this will conquer the whole world—and nothing else will conquer it.

### HOW MUCH MORE OUR CHURCH COULD DO.

It is imagined by some that the Presbyterian Church is burthened with the calls upon her members for pecuniary aid. To those who do things in an irregular, impulsive way, it may seem so. But a careful study of the capabilities of the membership of a congregation by a pastor, or any individual with a genuine wish, as Paul says, (2 Cor. viii.) "*to prove the sincerity of their love*" to Christ and his cause, will convince him that nearly every one could give much more than he does. Yes, much more, were they plainly taught the nature and claims of the various branches of church work; and if they were but warmed by

the love of Him who, "though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we through His poverty might be rich."

It is fair to judge the relative measure of beneficence among the members of a single congregation by observing the general gifts of the entire church. These show that it is *a few* who sustain the burthen, and reap the present and eternal reward. Of "the few that be saved," it is strange that still again so few conceive the spirit and imitate the "grace" of Jesus Christ.

- Let us examine the table of receipts from the churches in the last Annual Report of the Board of Education, as an average example. Omitting special donations, legacies, money refunded, &c., there was given in the direct collections of the churches last year, \$62,007. But more than one-sixth of this (\$11,812) came from four churches. Only seven others, though there are a good many whose membership is worth millions in the aggregate, gave sums ranging from \$500 to \$1000, and twenty-six more, sums ranging from \$200 to \$500. These thirty-seven churches gave almost one-third (\$20,517) of the whole that came from church collections. We have hundreds of churches that could send from \$120 to \$200 for the support of a theological student, and yet but forty four others have furnished that amount. Then one hundred and sixty-two churches have given half the support for one, that is, below \$120 down to \$50; two hundred and seventy-three about a quarter, or from that to \$25. How easy would it be, with a little inspiration, for almost any of these to double their gifts. Next, we come to a great mass which have given below \$25, as low as \$10—four hundred and eighty-five of them; and from \$10 to \$5, three hundred and two: these seven hundred and eighty-seven are generally churches in good circumstances, to whose pastors and people we should look with a fair assurance that they will rouse themselves to do much better. Lastly, two hundred and forty-seven churches have remitted from \$5 to \$1, and the people of three churches have sent less than a man would pay for a meal at a hotel, though even this sum is welcome from the poor. Let us base upon these facts a hope and a plea for improvement.

We have in the Presbyterian body, according to the last Minutes of the Assembly, four thousand six hundred and sixteen churches. It will seem almost incredible that but one thousand five hundred and fifty-one have remembered a claim so vital to the existence and growth of the denomination. Many of the others are building or repairing their edifices; many have omitted the claims of this Board, on the ground of gifts made to erect and endow institutions of learning. Have they forgotten that the men who are hereafter to preach and teach in these structures must be first taught, and that food and raiment are their most necessary wants? Many of these congregations are without pastors; but can they withhold the very means which is required by the organ of the church appointed to raise up pastors? Some have entirely forgotten this and other causes established by our Church in its earnest efforts to glorify Christ by converting souls and filling the world with the blessings of the gospel. Can such hope for His blessing upon their own ordinances, upon their own Sabbath-schools, upon their own sons and daughters? Some have waited for a more convenient season; alas! that the painful wants of those who depend upon the Church admit of no such postponement! Some who have themselves experienced similar trials, and the comfort of timely relief, have not been touched with a feeling of the infirmities of those who are called brethren, to grant them help in their time of need. Let us put in the earnest plea, that this year every minister will preach a sermon on the great themes which lie at the foundation of the work of this Board, and allow every church member the opportunity to contribute to forward them.



## CHILDREN OF THE COVENANT.

The following is a specimen of the appeals made to the Board; to meet which it asks the help of the reader:

"The young men mentioned within are of more than usual promise, both as to piety and talents. Both are members of my church; the first has been a member some time, the other has recently connected himself. He is a son of the Rev. ——— of our state, and has an older brother now in the ministry. Both are children of the covenant, and have had a godly training. It gives me great satisfaction to present to the Board such candidates. Both are needy of the aid solicited from the Board, and both worthy of it."

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## THE GRATITUDE OF A YOUNG PASTOR.

Sometimes a young brother, who has been helped through the straits of his long course of preparation for the ministry by the hand of the church, sends back to the Board of Education some expression of the gratitude which he feels when at length he enters fairly upon the blest work, sees his prayers answered, his labors owned of God, and tastes the greatest joy of earth, that of bearing, angel-like, the offers of mercy to the perishing, and leading them out of the way of death into that of life eternal. The following passage occurs in a letter of this kind:

"A revival began a short time before my ordination, and continued several weeks, resulting in the addition of about fifty persons to the church. There has been, for the most part, an encouraging state of interest ever since I took charge of this church. In February last we had a precious season of refreshing. Fifteen persons were added to the church.

"I rejoice that God ever led me to seek the ministry; and especially do I thank him for the agency of the Board of Education, without which I could not have entered the ministry."

How pleasant are testimonies like this to the congregations whose benefactions have nourished the cause which is bearing this sweet and useful fruit!

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## THE SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

This sister body is earnestly pressing forward the cause of ministerial education. It commenced at once after the war, and amidst all the desolations and exhaustion of that period, with a faith that deserves admiration, not only to consider the destitutions of its own territory, but to send forth foreign missionaries to heathen and papal fields, and to appeal to its young men to offer themselves for the ministry. The success has been very encouraging. In 1866 the collections were \$214; in 1867, \$1,667; in 1868, \$3,130; in 1869, \$11,868; in 1870, \$17,369; in 1871, \$18,710. The number of students has increased in proportion. Last year there were one hundred and twenty-one. Stirring appeals are made to the members of the Church for the means necessary to enlargement. "It is a wise, *imperious*, and reasonable duty. The harvests are ripening, and *must* be reaped. And the Church owes it to herself to educate her own sons for the service. While a few who desire to preach the gospel are able to educate themselves, there are many of undoubted piety and talents who are utterly excluded from the hope of an education preparatory thereto, from the scantiness of their own and their parents' resources. They are the children of the Church. She needs their services. Her fields will continue to lie waste, unless laborers are sent into them. What more natural and obvious duty than for the Church to train them for the work?"



## SHALL WE HELP THE YOUNG MEN OF THE SOUTH?

The much esteemed Chairman of the Committee of Education of one of our Presbyteries in the South, in sending the recommendation of a student, who is a diligent and promising man, added some inquiries which should be seriously considered by brethren who know the great wants of the South, and have the power to put into the hands of the Board the means to make a satisfactory response. Here is a part of his letter:

"Mr. ——— has been in the service of our Board distributing and selling books. He has engaged to teach a common school for several months, at the end of which time he wishes to begin his studies for the ministry. He has made a favorable impression on all of us who have seen him. He cannot get along without help. *Shall we encourage him to devote himself to this work? Is the Board able and willing to help all who come with suitable recommendations into the ministry?* We cannot, of course, judge the heart or foresee the result; but when we find a young man who appears to us to have natural ability and a good character, and who offers himself to preach the everlasting gospel, do you desire us to encourage him to go forward? Our poor church in this section has been so broken up and weakened by our divisions, as that we can do but little to aid the Boards, and, in asking their assistance, know that we can hardly hope, in any short time, to return to them what we receive from them. Our ministry stands sadly in need of strengthening, and we are trying to raise up and educate men to fill our vacant pulpits. And while we hope that we shall endeavor to put no man into the ministry whom the Lord has not called, we do try to present to our young men the duty of preaching the gospel to their dying fellow-men. It is mostly among the poorer class that we find men willing to do this work. Not being able to help ourselves, we come to you, and it is under these circumstances that I ask these questions."

## RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN SEPTEMBER, 1871.

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Govane chapel, of which 7 04 from Sab-seh \$16 54	<i>wanna</i> —Wells and Columbia ch 5 25. <i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Slatington ch 20. <i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —North Tenth St ch, from Mrs Snyder 5 99 40
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati 3d ch 75 00	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Chartiers ch 6. <i>Pby of Washington</i> —West Liberty ch 14; Lower Buffalo ch 9 15 29 15
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Cleveland Memorial ch 10. <i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Yellow Creek ch 12 22 60	SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.— <i>Pby of Holston</i> —Knoxville ch 33 70. <i>Pby of Kingston</i> —Kingston ch 6. <i>Pby of Union</i> —New Market ch 7 49 70
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Dublin ch 8 30. <i>Pby of Marion</i> —Berlin ch 10. <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Black Creek ch 4 50. <i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Putnam ch, from H C Ward and family 12 34 80	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Wyandott ch 1 60. <i>Pby of Huron</i> —First ch Sandusky 10 50; Lyme ch 18 39 30 49
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Erie</i> —Oil City 1st ch 50; Erie 1st ch 50; Georgetown ch 8. <i>Pby of Kittinging</i> —Washington ch 6 50 114 50	SYNOD OF UTAH.— <i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —McGrawville ch 30 00
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Springport ch 10 30	SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —Hixton ch 4. <i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Marquette ch, from A G Clark. Esq 100. <i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Platteville ch 2 40 166 40
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Mechanicburg ch 21 50; Falling Spring ch 76 95; Big Spring ch 26 50. <i>Pby of Huntington</i> —Sinking and Spring Creek chs 50 174 95	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Peotone ch 6. <i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Rockford, Westminster ch 27 57 33 57	LEGACIES.
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Alton</i> —Waveland ch 5. <i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Mattoon ch 8 13 00	Estate of Wm Hempstead, Galena, Ill 50; Estate of Rev J Miller, Phila, Pa 250 300 00
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Crawfordville</i> —Rockville ch 13 66; Lafayette 2d ch 15 50. <i>Pby of Logansport</i> —West Union ch 1 25; Bethlehem ch 1 25; Concord ch 1 25; Indian Creek ch 1 25 34 16	MISCELLANEOUS.
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Clarence ch 5 00	Interest on Phelps Scholarship 68 33
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Amity ch 17. <i>Pby of New York</i> —Covenant ch 160; Fourth Ave ch 151. <i>Pby of North River</i> —Amenia ch 15 343 00	Total amount acknowledged, \$1,650 29
SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Chester</i> —Central ch 14 15; New London ch 55. <i>Pby of Lacka-</i>	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.

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Letters, reports, &c., relating to candidates and the general affairs of the Board, are to be addressed there to WILLIAM SPEER, D.D.; remittances of money to WILLIAM MAIN, Esq., at the same place.

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

MISSIONARIES SENT OUT.—Returning to their fields: Rev. J. Newton and his wife, Rev. A. Rudolph and his wife, Rev B. D. Wyckoff, to India; Rev. C. F. Preston and his family, Rev. C. R. Mills and his family to China; Rev. N. A. McDonald and his family, to Siam. New Missionaries: Rev. R. Arthur and his wife, Rev. J. N. Culbertson, Miss Elizabeth S. Dickey, to Siam; Miss Jennie A. Nelson and Miss M. Eva Sly, to India; G. B. Danforth, M.D., to Syria, have sailed for their several stations since our last issue. Mr. Arthur is a graduate of the Theological Seminary, Allegheny City, and a member of the Presbytery of Westminster. Mr. Culbertson graduated at the Theological Seminary, Cincinnati, two or three years ago. Miss Dickey is a member of the Third Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati; Miss Nelson, of the First Presbyterian Church, Dayton, Ohio; Miss Sly, of the Presbyterian Church, Manteno, Illinois. Dr. Danforth is a graduate of Amherst College; his medical studies were pursued mostly in Edinburgh. The Rev. Messrs. Bassett and Stocking and their company were just leaving Constantinople for Persia, on the 9th of September.

“ADDED TO THE CHURCH.”—Mr. Wright reports the admission of a young woman of good education in English, as well as in her native language, to the Cattaraugus Church, Seneca Mission. Mr. Condit mentions the baptism of a young Chinaman at Sacramento, California. Mr. Dagama speaks of four persons received by the church session, Rio de Janeiro, and a fifth who probably would be received, in view of the communion to be celebrated on the next Sabbath after his letter was written. M. Dodd reports the baptism of two boys from the school in Hangehow.

RECEIPTS, MAY 1st, TO OCTOBER 1st.—From churches \$53,480; from legacies, \$5636; from individual donors, \$26,410—in all, \$85,527. Receipts in the same months last year, \$65,207—of which, from churches, \$21,911.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO OCTOBER 16th.—From Omaha, September 30th; Odanah, September 28th; Creek, October 6th; Las Vegas, September 28th; Albuquerque, September 25th; Navajoe, September 4th; San Francisco, October 2d; Yokohama, August 23d; Chefoo, August 2d; Shanghai, August 11th; Hangehow, August 8th; Ningpo, August 10th; Canton, August 10th; Allahabad, August 24th; Mynpurie, August 2d; Dehra, August 5th; Lodiana, August 23d; Kolapore, August 5th; Abeih, August 30th; Constantinople, September 9th; Rio de Janeiro, August 24th; Brotas, August 7th; Bahia, August 29th; Bogota, July 19th; Gaboon and Corisco, September 2d; Tungehow, August 3d.

## OUR CHURCH-WORK FOR ROMAN CATHOLICS.

To many it seems harsh to class Roman Catholics with the unevangelized, as needing the labors of foreign missionaries. Are they not Christians? And do they not hold many of the great truths of the Christian religion? Yes, they are Christians as too many Protestants are—by name, by profession; nor ought we to deny that some Roman Catholics are evangelical in their religious views. But for the most part, while holding important truths of revelation, they also hold such great errors as completely overlay or neutralize these truths. For example, they



observe the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; but they add to these five other sacraments, while these two in their administration are seriously changed from the simple order of the Scriptural sacraments, and in their meaning they are regarded as passports to heaven, no matter what may be the moral character of those who receive them. It cannot be doubted that most Romanists expect salvation because of their outward conformity to the requirements of their Church, and make little or nothing of regeneration by the Holy Spirit, faith in Christ alone, and a life of evangelical service to God and man. Most of them are ignorant of the Scriptures, and are not permitted to read them; most of them are in bondage to their priests; most of them, priests and people alike, need to be taught the way of salvation. It is not our object here to dwell on the great errors and evils of Romanism. We believe it to be in all its aspects, religious, political, social, a dreadful system of evil. Alas, what great numbers of our fellow-men are under its power! We pity them deeply, and pray for them. We would give the gospel to them as the greatest blessing. And we are grateful that our Church has been led to regard missions to Romanists as a proper part of its Church-work.

This work should be under the direction of the Church itself, and not of mere Societies; for the same reasons that have led our Christian people to place other foreign missions and all home missions under this direction. Thereby we are in the line of the great commission of the Church, and so may best hope for the presence of our Lord with his servants in their efforts to preach the gospel to every creature. Thereby we have the best security that the gospel will be preached in its purity and its fulness, and this by men called and qualified for this great work. Thereby, we have the best guaranty against errors and evils that spring up more readily in an unevangelized than in a Christian country. A strong argument for our Presbyterian views of doctrine, church order and discipline, can be drawn from their practical development on missionary ground, as in the first age of Christianity. Thereby, moreover, we simplify our home administration of the work of missions, and avoid much expense for executive service, and much embarrassment to our churches from the multiplication of societies and collections. The views here merely suggested have been long held as earnest convictions, formed without any reference to matters of recent occurrence.

Leaving theory for practice, our beloved Church is seeking the salvation of Roman Catholics: in this country, by all our ministers of the gospel, by all our home ministries for the spiritual welfare of our countrymen; abroad, in two ways. 1. By aiding our brethren in papal countries—Belgium, France, Italy, for instance—who hold substantially the same religious views and hopes with ourselves, to spread the knowledge of the gospel among their countrymen. These brethren, few in number, and having but very limited pecuniary means at their command, are yet admirably situated and well qualified, far better than any foreigners could be, for conducting missionary labors amongst their own people. They earnestly desire our assistance. See Mr. Prochet's letter in the last *Record*, as an example. And truly wonderful are the orderings of Providence within the last few years, opening the door before them in a way that should arrest the attention of the whole Christian Church. 2. By sending missionaries to the countries on our own continent that are still known as Roman Catholic—such as Brazil, United States of Colombia, Central America, Mexico, New Mexico, &c. We stand in special relations to the inhabitants of these countries. Great changes are going on amongst them, all tending to the overthrow of Romanism, and in important respects favoring the introduction of the gospel.

The missionary work of the Board in Europe, as outlined above, and its missions



in South America, particularly in Brazil, have already met with manifest tokens of the approval of God—see the last and previous Annual Reports of the Board. And now the time has come for enlarging our efforts, for sending our European brethren more liberal aid, and for sending out new laborers to these American countries. They will not long remain under the bondage of Rome; they are already breaking their fetters. We should pray and labor that their coming freedom may not be the license of infidelity, but the blessed liberty wherewith Christ makes his people free.

### CHINESE IN CALIFORNIA.

The Rev. J. H. Condit sends the interesting letter here inserted, under date at San Francisco of September 30th.

I recently made a visit among the Chinese in Sacramento. There cannot be far from two thousand of them there. Quite a long section of one street is entirely devoted to them, and then they are scattered throughout the city in wash-houses, and as servants in families. I had the pleasure of baptizing a very interesting young man. When I was there last spring, I addressed the Chinese in one of the Sunday-schools. He was there, and went home very much delighted, and reported to his mistress that he had heard "a Melican man talk China about Jesus." The lady, the wife of one of the most prominent lawyers of our State, took a long, dark, lonely walk, to ask me to go and see the young man, whom she takes a great interest in, and treats almost as her own child. Since then he has been faithfully instructed by our colporteur, so that I found him well prepared for baptism. He has some relatives in the city, who hate the name of Jesus, and were bitterly opposed to his embracing the gospel. But he said that he was not afraid of them, so I baptized him in the presence of twenty or thirty Chinese in Brother Nash's church, and committed him to his pastoral care. On Sabbath afternoon, going out among the Chinese I found Sit Ah Moon on the street, preaching away, and joined him in a two hours' talk to a varying audience. There are a number more in Sacramento deeply impressed by the truth, whom I yet hope to see come out.

Dr. Cyrus Dickson, in his travels through the upper part of this State and Oregon, met many Chinese, and told us he would have given almost anything if he could have just spoken a good word to them in their own language. He advises us to go up and down among

them, shaking their hands, and showing them the sympathy and love of our Master. We wish to do what we can of this kind of work. Last Sabbath night we had a good chapel full, who listened attentively, while we spoke to them of the first promise of the coming Saviour. The Old Testament has a wonderful power in helping them to believe the New. The "Chinese Young Men's Christian Association" is flourishing. Their room was full at their last meeting, and two young boys tried their hand at speaking about the gospel, and did very well. The Society has just completed their Constitution, and are going to have it printed and scattered through the city. They are very much in need of *larger and better rooms*. They have only one small, dingy, close room. They have to practise Brother Loomis' squeezing process.

We have had the pleasure of greeting and sending on their way rejoicing, a goodly number of missionaries by this steamer for China. Brother Preston, who was seventeen years in China, has with his family been stopping with us a week on his return. The Chinese are delighted with his beautiful speaking of their language. I was also pleased to see Brother McDonald of Siam, whom I knew in the seminary, who with his family is on his return to his field. Brother Mills, of Shantung, barely reached here in time to get aboard of the steamer. God speed them all, old missionaries and new, on their way, and greatly bless them in their work!

### GOOD NEWS FROM BOGOTA.

The Rev. T. F. Wallace, of the mission in the United States of Colombia, writes as follows, under date of July 14th:

Last Sabbath the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered in our chapel here. It was an interesting, and I trust profitable season, not only for

those who communed, but also for those who were mere spectators. Two persons were received on examination. One of them has been a regular attendant on our preaching for several years, and since Mr. B—— left, has corrected my sermons. He is a government clerk, is a young man of considerable talent, has written some fifteen or twenty hymns in Spanish, and had music set to a number of them, which we have used already in our worship. He is married to a sister of a Mr. C——, who has been a member of the church for several years. A few years ago he was a septic, if not an infidel, and it was through the instrumentality of his brother-in-law that he was brought to consider the subject of religion. He has had one of his children baptized by us, and expects to have another baptized before long. His wife visits us, and has been to our services several times, and, were it not for her mother, who is quite a strong Catholic, very old, and a great sufferer, I think she would be inclined to think seriously of taking the step her husband has. The other person received was Mrs. ——; she and her husband are from the States. This lady is the mother of five children, two of whom, with Mr. Pitkin's child, I baptized publicly in our chapel on the Sabbath of communion. We did so at this time that our mode of baptism might be witnessed by the largest number possible, as there are many here who have never witnessed the ceremony, and many are not aware that we baptize at all. The attendance on this day was larger than usual, and we have heard that several who had never before witnessed the administration of the Lord's Supper or baptism by Protestants, were very much impressed with the simplicity and solemnity of the ceremonies and the services attending them. There were three or four who manifested a desire to be connected with us, but as some were compelled to be absent from the city at the time, and others did not give satisfactory evidence of being prepared to take such a step, none but the two mentioned were received; although some others might have been, had circumstances permitted. Our custom has been, in most cases, to have the persons who apply for admission wait until the communion season following the one at which they applied. This gives us more time to instruct them, and an opportunity also of judging better of the sincerity of their motives and the genuineness of conversion.

We have now a great controversy going on here in the newspapers in this city on the question of *tithes*. The Archbishop issued a decree a few months since, requiring all who call themselves Catholics to pay tithes on pain of excommunication, and the refusal of the sacrament of extreme unction in the hour of death, not only to the person himself, but to his children to the third or fourth generation, unless the said descendants pay up all arrears. The step is a bad one for Romanism, but one that will hasten the work of reform, for which we are praying and laboring.

#### SIDON FEMALE SEMINARY.

The Rev. W. W. Eddy, under date of August 10th, sends a very satisfactory account of this invaluable missionary school.

Allow me to lay before you, and through you, before the Church, a brief statement respecting the *Sidon Female Seminary*, and its relation to the missionary work in Syria.

It is nine years since it was established. Its first teacher was Miss Mason, now in the United States. Afterwards it was conducted by Mrs. Watson, then by native teachers alone, and for the last three years by Miss Jacombs. The missionaries of the station are the responsible heads of the seminary, and this responsibility has fallen of late years mostly upon Mrs. Eddy, who has much of the time given daily instructions in the school.

It is emphatically a child of the mission, designed not so much to further the general work of female education in the land, as to perform a specific work in preparing females to be coadjutors in the evangelization of Syria. It is *strictly a training-school for female native helpers*.

Its expenses have been met by direct appropriations from mission funds.

Its aim is to receive only the *children of Protestants*, these from the different stations of the mission, to select those who have learned to read in the day-schools in their villages, and who have given promise of usefulness.

The instruction is given *wholly in the Arabic language*. The studies pursued are those of which the pupils will be likely to make practical use hereafter. *Bible knowledge* is made prominent above all other.

The *manual labor of the school* is done



by the pupils, this partly for economy, and partly to give them instruction in rightly performing household work, and to prevent their being unfitted for home duties; the temptation in this country being strong to regard labor as degrading particularly for "the daughter of a seminary."

We would not feel authorized to employ mission funds, in boarding for four years girls of other than Protestant families, since such are early married off into other sects, and their influence is apparently lost to the missionary work. There is no result gained in such cases proportionate to the expenditure incurred. (An exception to this rule has been made by a vote of the mission in behalf of Druze girls, on account of the desirableness of taking advantage of every means possible of gaining an influence over Druze minds and hearts.)

As it is now, I know of no department of missionary work where the returns for expense and labor are so speedy and so large, as they have proved in this seminary. Here is emphatically a place for a wise investment of money and toil, both for the missionaries here and for the churches at home.

A strong religious influence is brought to bear upon the pupils; from the nature of the studies pursued, from the efforts made by the teachers for their conversion, and from their daily contact with the missionaries. Generally the evening devotions are conducted by one of the missionaries; and these efforts in behalf of the scholars have been owned by the head of the church, and saving results have been witnessed during nearly every year of the seminary's history.

*Sidon is a favorable position for such an institution. It is healthful. Expenses* here are less than they would be in most other places. It is out of the way of the tide of fashion and superficial civilization which has set in so powerfully from Europe upon other places. The associations thrown around the girls are not such as to make them dissatisfied with their mountain homes, and unfitted to return to their humble spheres.

*Simplicity of living*, not inconsistent with strict neatness and comfort, is aimed at, and easily maintained in Sidon.

It is a pleasant feature in the history of this institution, that while strictly under the eye of the mission, conformed to its rules and working out its ends, it

has received the coöperative aid of members of the Established Church in England, who as a society for promoting female education in the east, have sent out and pay the salary of the principal teacher, Miss Jacombs.

Such a concurrence of nationalities and sects in sympathy and aid is perhaps unique in its character. Nothing certainly could be happier than its present working.

A day-school for girls is connected with the seminary, and the older pupils in the boarding department aid in instruction in the other. To this, members of all sects are admitted, and it has been a special gratification that thus several Mohammedan girls have been brought into contact with the truth.

The numbers of boarding-scholars taught this year has been *nineteen*. Twenty exhaust the capacity of the building, and is probably as large a number of hopeful Protestant girls as we can find at this time, who desire to avail themselves of these advantages. Thus limited, the institution partakes more of the character of a family school, allowing of a closer watch and a stronger religious influence than would be possible where the number of scholars is greater.

The total of expense for a single pupil for the year is *forty dollars in gold*. This includes the rent of the school building and the wages of all the other teachers besides Miss Jacombs, which is met by a society in England.

With this statement presented to the Board, it only remains to bespeak from them in behalf of "the Sidon Female Seminary," such consideration as they are doubtless ready to bestow; also to ask for it appropriate mention in the missionary periodicals, as one of the institutions established in Syria for its evangelization.

If deemed proper, we should like to see the name of Miss Mary Jacombs mentioned among those of the female teachers, and that it be made known to the Sabbath-schools what it costs to support a pupil in Sidon, that thus their sympathy and aid may be given.

It is hardly necessary to add, that no direct aid is asked for the seminary, other than may be rendered by the ordinary contributions to the treasury of the Board.

#### A LETTER FROM MISS LORING.

The following letter, received by the Juvenile Missionary Association of the



Presbyterian Sabbath-school in Scranton, Pa., from their missionary, will be read with interest by all Sabbath-school children, as well as by many readers of older years:

MT. LEBANON, Aug. 9th, 1871.

*My Dear Friends of the Juvenile Missionary Association*—I received, not long since, a letter from your president, Mr. Hand, containing a long, loud cry for more letters from Syria. Where four hundred whom I love, join in the cry, it must certainly be heeded; for he writes me of your deep interest in the missionary work, and I assure you *nothing* more gladdens my heart here in this far-off country, than to know that these four hundred are loving and praying for me. When tired, and feeling sad over the difficulties of this language I am trying to learn, it cheers me and gives me fresh courage to hear from the little missionary band in Scranton. Jesus is watching you in your noble work, my young friends, and will *bless* you in it. What can be more acceptable in His sight than a band of children *denying themselves* to help on His cause among the dark places of the earth. You deserve frequent letters, and I gladly write to you when I have time.

Would you like to hear something of this Arabic language of which I spoke? It would be impossible to give you an idea of the eight sounds which trouble foreigners so much. If you could listen to an Arab you would think his vocal organs were in danger of being used up at a very early age: in making *one* of the sounds he seems to *crack his palate*; in another it seems like the explosion of the lungs attended by a rushing mighty wind; one is a perfect *snarl*, and another which is a *little* similar to our *k*, sounds like the clearing of the throat in a very bad cold; there is still another one, which I think must have been invented at the Tower of Babel by the man who, in his *hurry*, let a hot brick fall on his foot. We Americans, in acquiring these sounds, are obliged to have our throats all made over again, which operation is attended sometimes by soreness and pain. Another difficulty is, that the language contained in books is not at all like the *spoken* language; if any one speaks according to the rules of the grammar, every one, even the best educated, laughs at him, and he cannot be understood; so we have two

languages to learn, the *book* and the common talk.

I presume you have heard that the Syrians are famous for their numerous compliments which they call *salams*; they have set phrases, and if you do not use a certain one in reply to theirs, they *laugh*. It is almost impossible to make one tell you about his health, though he may have been very sick and you are anxious to know. I will give you a *sample*. In meeting in the morning you say, "Neharrak sied," (may your day be happy). The other replies, "Neharrak mabararak," (may your day be blessed). "Caf harlak?" (how do you do?) Reply, "Caf harlak?" You ask *again*, "How do you do?" He replies, "Salamtak," (your peace). You say, "How is your health now?" He says, "Sellem omrak," (may your life be peaceful). "Are you better now?" He answers, "Towell omrak," (may your life be lengthened). You say, "I hope you are getting well." Again he replies, "Ullah yusalmak," (God give you peace). And so we despair of hearing about his health, and inquire about his children at home; he replies, "They kiss your hand." On coming in from a walk or ride, if you ask how he enjoyed it, he says, "Kinny miskteheeky," (I *longed* for you). When you tell a girl her dress is pretty, she answers, "May your *life* be *pretty*." Tell a man his child does well in school, he says, "Under your glances;" you are expected to reply, "Under the glances of God." So, much of their time is spent in paying compliments. After they have been in the room with you half an hour, if there happens to be a pause they will begin again, "Neharrak sied," "Salamtak," &c. These compliments are accompanied with many motions, such as touching their forehead and chin, or taking your hand and touching it to their forehead and lips.

When they say "I don't know," they shrug the right shoulder, throw the hands backward, and draw down the mouth; but the most disagreeable gesture of *all*, is one they use to express *nothingness*, or a *lack of something*; ask a man how much money he has; if he has *none*, he puts the end of his fore finger and thumb together, snaps the thumb against his teeth, and then brings them down firmly pressed almost into your face, without saying a word; everybody knows that that means he hasn't a *cent* to his *name*. I asked a girl, who had taken only two or three music lessons, how many lessons she

had taken, and she made that gesture without speaking.

I am going to copy for you an invitation which we received to a wedding a short time ago; they carry their compliments into their letters to their most intimate friends. Here is the invitation; it was addressed to Miss Everett, Miss Jackson, and myself. "Her excellency, the illustrious, the honorable, the revered lady, Miss Everett: It is requested from you that you honor *our* place, *your* place, with their honors, Miss Jackson and Miss Loring, to-morrow, falling in the 13th May, the fifth hour (*Frank time*) after dinner, where will be our receiving of the secret, holy crown, and this will increase our indebtedness to you. Written in the 12th of May, 1871. The *suppliant*, Michael El Mossshalamy, [the groom]."

In my next letter to you I will tell you about the wedding and the *holy crown*.

You see my letter is dated from Mt. Lebanon. Will you look in your Bibles and see if you can find anything said about these mountains? Our summer home is on the outskirts of a small village called Aitah, two thousand feet

above the sea. I think God never made a more beautiful picture than is spread out before my eyes; these terraced mountains with their rows of mulberry and fig trees; here and there a little village towering like an eagle's nest on some high crag, or nestled down in a quiet valley. Down on the plain below, is the largest olive grove in the world, and beyond that is the *sands*, a *young* desert of reddish sand, which, when the morning sun streams down upon it, forms the brilliant coloring of this huge picture. Then stretched out beyond the desert is the deep blue sea. Oh! I wish you could all be here and get your *souls* filled with this grandeur! I think if you had ridden with me to-night, and had seen the sun set in the sea, and the lights and shadows on the mountains, it would have lifted you out of your saddles. I thank God that He has given me a love for the beautiful and the beauties of nature to gratify it. But in the midst of all this light and beauty there are thousands sitting "in darkness and the shadow of death." Will you pray that their feet may be guided "into the way of peace?"

#### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN SEPTEMBER 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Champlain*—Burke ch, earnings of a boy 50

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Churchville ch 30; 1st ch Sab-sch, Baltimore, for sch in Canton 100, to ed child 25, ex 25 = 150. *Pby of New Castle*—Central ch, Wilmington 60 68 \$240 68

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Concord ch 7, Miss M Gage 1 = 8; Greenfield Sab-sch, class of little boys 50 cts. *Pby of Cincinnati*—Wyoming Sab-sch, for Sidon sch 20; 7th ch Sab-sch, Cincinnati 85 70; 2d ch Cincinnati 6 30; College Hill ch Sab-sch, to ed two children at Gaboon 30. *Pby of Dayton*—First ch Xenia 308 55; 1st ch Miami City 50 509 05

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Memorial ch, Cleveland 10. *Pby of Mahoning*—Bazetta ch, Deacon Silas Leonard 10. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Nottingham ch 87. *Pby of Steubenville*—Annapolis ch 21 05; Richmond ch 12 83, Sab-sch 6 35 = 19 18; Yellow Creek ch 34 75, a "Friend of Christ" 25 = 59 75; Deersville ch 15 221 98

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Columbus*—Lower Liberty ch 3; Amanda ch 14 10. *Pby of Wooster*—Shelby ch Saw-sch 10 27 10

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Erie*—Tideoute ch 30 20; 1st ch Erie 52 13; Cool Spring and Salem chs, to con James Walker, Wm Wood, and Mrs Martha Stinson *Life Members* 77; North East ch 42; Mt Pleasant ch 10. *Pby of Kittanning*—Strader Grove Sab-sch 10 65; Indiana ch, Thos Laughlin 200; Washington ch 7; Currie's Run ch 19 10 418 03

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Chemung*—Meeklingburg ch 14 45; Eddytown ch 13 75. *Pby of Geneva*—Onks Corner ch 12; Gorham ch 21. *Pby of Steuben*—Campbelltown ch 27 86 89 06

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Great Conewago ch 57 50; Lower Path Valley ch, a friend 20; Market Square ch, Harrisburg 660 06. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Fruit Hill Sab-sch 7 50;

Spruce Hill Sab-sch 7 10; Shade Gap Sab-sch 2 75; West Kishacoquillas ch, Belleville Sab-sch 25; Lower Tuscarora ch, Jos and Maggie Kelly 25; Bellefonte ch 500 1304 91

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Peoria*—"Friends" 6 75. *Pby of Schuyler*—First ch Sab-sch Monmouth 25 31 75

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Central ch, Joliet 68 35; 1st ch Thornton 2 10, Rev E R Davis 2 91 = 5; 8th ch Chicago 85 20. *Pby of Rock River*—Benlah Sab-sch, Orion 2 50 161 05

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Zion Ger ch 18; Brighton ch Sab-sch 3 15. *Pby of Mattoon*—Mattoon ch 7 50 28 65

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Dayton ch 25; Bethany Sab-sch 10; Rockville ch 20 75; 1st ch Sab-sch, Crawfordsville 6 70; Clinton ch 4. *Pby of Logansport*—Centre ch 1; Union ch 4 77 45

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Putnamville ch 10 00

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Wyoming ch 20 40; Scotch Grove Sab-sch 5 30; Bethel Sab-sch 3 20; 1st ch Cedar Rapids 6 82. *Pby of Dubuque*—McGregor ch 5. *Pby of Waterloo*—Grundy Centre ch 1 41 72

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Missouri River*—Bull Creek ch 1 25; Clarinda ch 7 54 8 79

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Second ch Lexington, Mrs Haines 2 50; Sab-sch 35 37 50

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—South 3d st ch Williamsburgh 30 33; Geneva ch, of which 30 to con Alonzo C Farnham. *Life Member* 32 10; Throop Ave ch 18 50; 1st ch, Remsen st 25 78. *Pby of Long Island*—Amagansett ch Sab-sch 5 25; Greenport ch 17. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch 28 86 157 82

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—First ch



Unadilla 5; Plainfield ch 4 28; Holly ch 25 75.  
*Pby of Grand Rapids*—First ch Grand Haven  
 17 60; Marquette ch 281 59; Mr V B Cochran  
 5 = 288 59. *Pby of Lansing*—Parna ch 15;  
 Stockbridge ch 6 72. *Pby of Saginaw*—East  
 Tawas ch 50 361 44

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Mankato*—First ch  
 Blue Earth City 10 62. *Pby of St Paul*—West-  
 minster ch Minneapolis 10 61; 2d ch Stillwater  
 8 00. *Pby of Winona*—Oronoco ch 3 32 23

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Central  
 ch Summit 30 70. *Pby of Jersey City*—Engle-  
 wood ch 783 60. *Pby of Monmouth*—Shrews-  
 bury Sab-sch, Mrs Wilson's class 1 60; Mana  
 and Ella Vandemese 1 30 = 2 90; Port Wash-  
 ington Sab-sch 831. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—  
 South st ch, Morristown 75; a member 150 =  
 225. *Pby of Newark*—Caldwell ch 67 08; 3d ch  
 Newark 25 10; Wickliffe ch 8 48. *Pby of New*  
*Brunswick*—Ewing ch 21; Stony Brook Sab-sch  
 3. *Pby of Newton*—First ch Greenwich 113 25.  
*Pby of West Jersey*—Clayton Sab-sch 10 05  
 1,298 47

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—First ch  
 Sab-sch Newburyport, to sup child at at Tung-  
 chow 25. *Pby of Hudson*—First ch Washington-  
 ville 33 24; Monroe ch 5 12; Bloomingbury ch  
 5. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch Chapel 5 30; 1st  
 ch New York, a member 500; 11th ch N Y 5; 4th  
 Ave ch 8 20; Ch of the Covenant 250. *Pby of*  
*North River*—First ch Highlands 18 45; 1st ch  
 Newburgh 300, Sab-sch, for scholarship, Beirut  
 Seminary 125 = 425; Calvary ch, Newburgh  
 60 25; South Amenia ch 72. *Pby of Westchester*  
 —White Plains ch Sab-sch 10; 1st ch Peekskill  
 58 86; 1st ch Yonkers 22 92; 2d ch Peekskill  
 96 91 1,601 25

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of San José*—West-  
 minster ch, Santa Clara 1 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—  
 Waynesburg ch 8 80; 1st ch Westchester 69 73.  
*Pby of Lackawanna*—Montrose ch 25 50, D P  
 4 = 29 50; Wilke-barre ch 145; Harford ch 2 668.  
*Pby of Lehigh*—First ch Easton 102; Eckley ch  
 18 50; Upper Lehigh ch 13 50. *Pby of Philadel-*  
*phia*—Calvary ch 1,500; South Western ch 22.  
*Pby of Philadelphia Central*—North Tenth st ch,  
 mo con 9. Memorial 5, for Tungchow 50 = 61.  
*Pby of Philadelphia, North*—First ch Chestnut  
 Hill 313, Sab-sch 12 = 325; Neshaminy ch of  
 Warwick 52; Doylestown ch 52 68; Deep Run  
 ch 3 32. *Pby of Westminster*—Slatesville ch  
 53 46 2,486 17

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Redstone*—Tent  
 Sab-sch 15 45

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—Bucy-  
 rus ch, Andrew Kerr, to con Mrs Kerr *Life*  
*Member* 50. *Pby of Lima*—Delphos ch 4 45, Sab-  
 sch 7 = 11 45. *Pby of Maumee*—Westminster  
 ch, Toledo 75 136 45

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Second  
 ch Coventry 143. *Pby of Oswego*—Cooperstown  
 ch 318. Woman's Foreign Miss'y Soc'y 10 = 323.  
*Pby of Syracuse*—Pompey ch 40; 1st ch Cazenov-  
 ia 90 13; Jordan ch 15; 1st ch Oswego 24 96  
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SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Genesee*—  
 Perry ch 23 27; Warsaw ch 50; Cortu ch 8. *Pby*  
*of Genesee Valley*—Burns ch, for Syria 1 50. *Pby*  
*of Niagara*—Millville ch 29 50 112 27

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Wisconsin River*—  
 Ger ch Piatteville 4 00

Total receipts from churches, \$10,085 91

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Benj Campbell, dec'd,  
 Uniontown, Pa 50; Legacy of Peter B Porter,  
 dec'd, Niagara Falls, N Y 2000; Legacy of Wm  
 Henipstead, dec'd, Galena, Ill 50 2,100 00

WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Woman's  
 Board of Foreign Missions, Chicago 693 23;  
 Woman's Foreign Miss Soc'y, Phila 937 75, gold  
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SYNOD OF REF PRESB CHURCH.—First Ref Presby  
 ch N Y, Peter Harvie 27 81, Sab-sch, to sup sch

83 45 = 111 26; 1st Ref Presby ch Sab-sch Chi-  
 cago, to sup A M Stewart 57 86 169 12

MISCELLANEOUS.—A friend for Waldenses 2;  
 Memorial Fund 1,688 05; Bertie Lorimer 3; So-  
 ciety of Ing. Oxford Female College 10 61; Jno  
 B Love, Phila 250; Trustees of Presby House  
 665; L C, miss'y box 1; Mrs M C Bloyd, Balti-  
 more, to con Margaret C Webster *Life Director*  
 100; Miss ch, Catragu—Reservation 12 21;  
 A friend, per Rev Wm Walker, to sup girl at  
 Gaboon 22 50; Some little girls, Hanover, Ind 3;  
 Mary E Logan's Sab-sch class 2; Rev Dr Shaw's  
 family 20; Mrs F Scott, Windham, Ohio 2; Miss  
 A M Bryan, for Miss Diekey's sch 25; O Com-  
 stock, Avon 50; Rev Peter Kendall 5; for Mexi-  
 co 5; "Blairsville," Pa, for sup of child under  
 Miss Diekey 30; "Cash," from a friend, for Syria  
 Miss 100; Rev Robt Hays, Inverness, Ohio 6 53;  
 A friend of missions 100; J N D. Lost Creek, W  
 Va 2 50; Rev Jno Pitkin, Milfordton, Ohio 10  
 3,110 40

Total Receipts in September, 1871, \$17,211 41

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1871, \$85,527 75

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—*For Gaboon Yacht*.—  
 Memorial Fund 120 91; Thos H Dickson and  
 wife, Phila 5; Ogdensburg Sab-sch, N Y 40  
 \$165 91

Mrs Willson, Ironton, Ohio, for sufferers by  
 famine in Persia \$5 00

Miss P T Magie, for translating and publishing  
 work on Theology for Syria Mission \$500 00

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 23 Centre Street, New York.

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 tions of the Board, may be addressed to the Rev.  
 JOHN C. LOWRIE, Rev. DAVID IRVING, or Rev. FRANK  
 F. ELLINWOOD, Secretaries, Mission House, 23  
 Centre street, New York.

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 Board, or containing remittances of money, may  
 be sent to WILLIAM RANKIN, Esq., Treasurer—  
 same address.

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 CORISCO, 16 cents for each ½ oz weight; to SIAM  
 28 cents for each ½ oz weight; to INDIA via South-  
 ampton 22 cents for each ½ oz weight; to CHINA  
 and JAPAN, via San Francisco 10 cents for each ½  
 oz weight; to U. S. of Colombia, 18 cents for  
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 leaves on the 23d of each month; postage 15  
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### STRENGTH GIVEN BY HELP.

Why take collections for the Board of Publication? Not for its business—that takes care of itself; but that aid may be given to hundreds of our churches, that by such aid are cheered, strengthened, and made useful. Scores of calls for assistance are acted upon by the Board every month, and no worthy appeal is refused. The working of this form of Church beneficence can be understood by extracts from a few of the many letters of the same tenor that are daily received at the Presbyterian House.

The following is from the pastor of a mission church of

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

"In behalf of the Emanuel Presbyterian Church and Sabbath-school of this city, I present to you and the Presbyterian Board of Publication, whose agent you are, the thanks of the church and Sabbath-school for the truly generous donation of two hundred of the choice and beautiful Sabbath-school books published by the Board. It gave new life to our mission Sabbath-school. We are a mission; though we are an organized church, yet we are poor indeed, having no church lot or building. We worship in a beautiful room, but it is our own hired room. We have now a Sabbath-school of one hundred and fifty scholars, and we think that soon it will number two hundred. When we received your valuable present our school was somewhat depressed, and we did not see how we could go on and meet our expenses. The school then numbered only ninety or one hundred scholars, and some of them were saying, 'If we cannot have books we will not come.' We have heard nothing of that kind since. God bless your Board, and help you to continue to do for poor and needy Sabbath-schools what you have done for ours. And I, as the minister of Emanuel Presbyterian Church, gratefully acknowledge my own indebtedness for a donation of fifty of your choice books. As I look into them, sermons are inspired; and if I am not now a better preacher, your Board is not at fault.

"At the time we were made so glad by your donations, last October, 1870, I met a Mrs. Judge B—— from Cañon City, Oregon; she was visiting in this city; she is a warm-hearted Christian woman, and a Presbyterian. She came to our little church and expressed her sympathy and her 'God bless you.' Then she told me what had happened to them. They had built a hall for Sabbath-school, and had furnished it and gathered the children. They had put into it a melodeon, all at great cost for them; for they were few, and had no minister. Just before

she left home a fire swept the town and the hall, and all in it was burnt to ashes. I told her of your Board, and how you had treated us, and then I told your agent, Rev. Mr. Wells, of her story. My repeating it, and Brother Wells hearing it, secured for them also a donation of fifty volumes. How glad Mrs. B—— was when she looked at them. Her thanks were more numerous than the books. I did not see, but imagine that the eyes of the children in Cañon City, Oregon, opened wider and wider at sight of those beautiful books.

"For them and for Emanuel Church please accept heart-warm thanks, and we will remember, both of us, that contribution which alone keeps the fountain running."

"A GOD-SEND."

From Ohio come these warm words. "As superintendent of Zion Mission Sabbath-school, I have the pleasure of acknowledging a kind and liberal donation of books to our school by the Presbyterian Board of Publication.

"In doing so I can truly say that they came to us a precious God-send. On last Sabbath they were first presented to the school, and it is impossible to depict the interest and delight with which they were received. Teachers and scholars seemed to vie with each other in their expressions of gratitude and pleasure. The singing books, especially, gave great satisfaction, and added new interest to the school. I think I can safely say, after an experience of several years in the Sabbath-school work, and an acquaintance of considerable extent with the various publications of Sabbath-school music, I know of no book which I can so heartily recommend as the 'Children's Praise.' The catechisms have been distributed among the pupils; the teachers are interesting themselves in having them committed and recited. The beautiful and interesting books, as they are passed around week after week among the various families, who can tell the good they may accomplish by the aid of the Holy Spirit accompanying them.

"May He, whose is the work, bless the pages so kindly granted for the aid of the needy, to the salvation of many. But what shall we offer to the Board in return for this favor? Like one of old, silver and gold we have none, but such as we have we will give—our most heartfelt prayers and the thanks of many happy children."

NEBRASKA THANKS.

From Fontanelle, Nebraska, the Rev. J. R. Adam writes:

"To say the books were a very welcome and unexpected surprise, and give the greatest satisfaction, is by no means expressing half the gratitude we feel to the Board for your generous donation. We are now completely supplied with books of necessary kinds for carrying on our school, and the children feel much encouraged to think they are remembered by our far-off Eastern friends. The Board has done nobly by us, more than we would have thought of asking for, and we now hope soon to be able to return to you something more substantial than thanks, and to do our part in aiding you in like manner to assist other destitute schools in our frontier settlements. We have now a nice, comfortable house of worship, regular preaching, good congregations; where only about two years ago were no white settlers, and only the Indians roamed over these beautiful prairies, now being made still more beautiful by the hand of industry, and are travelled daily by the iron horse. Our church is still weak in numbers, and would be much strengthened by the addition of a few good Presbyterian families. Those seeking a home in the West would find a good opening here, both temporally and spiritually. May the Lord bless you in carrying on your good work."



## A GRANT APPRECIATED.

One of our ministers in Iowa thus writes on the receipt of a Sabbath-school library from the Presbyterian Board of Publication:

"Your highly esteemed favor of last month, with the accompanying noble package of books for Rock Creek Church Sabbath-school, came in due time to hand. My answer has been unavoidably delayed. In the first place, my head, heart, and hands have *all* been full in preparing and sending my daughter Mary to the Persian Mission. And then I had to get up a desk for the books that would be worthy of their reception. This I made with my own hands last week—not a bad job either, though I am no cabinet-maker—out of black walnut, and put in the books all numbered and marked. In the meantime, I have been poring over volume after volume of the library. I know it would have made you right glad to have witnessed the joyful look of mingled thankfulness and pleasure on last Sabbath morning, when I unlocked that desk with its unseen treasure of beautifully bound books.

"For this munificent appropriation of our Board of Publication we wish to express our united and hearty thanks.

"We shall enter forthwith upon a system of systematic giving for this Board. It has hitherto been my difficulty in urging the claims of *this Board* upon the liberal attention of my people, that it is a self-sustaining, if not a money-making Board, and does not need any aid from the churches. I have all along known that this was incorrect, but found it quite difficult to lead others to see the truth. This gift of the Board, not of cast-off and unsaleable books, but the very best and prettiest bound books imaginable, is an *argumentum ad hominem et oculum* of the noble designs and workings of our Board of Publication.

"We, as a church and Sabbath-school, return our thanks for the gift, and intend to be more than ever active and liberal in our contributions to our Publication Board. What admirable selections to arouse my church from her apathy upon the subject of 'Foreign Missions.' I hope to see the fruit of increased intelligence through these books, in the increased liberality of the church to *all our Boards*."

## FORCES RALLIED BY A DONATION.

From Rev. Wm. Campbell, De Soto, Iowa. "The package of books which you sent, expressive of your sympathy with our Sabbath-school in their loss by the late storm, has been received, and I am requested by the school to express to you their sincere thanks for your generous and timely gift. Inspired by the new books, they went to work to raise money to procure a good case in which to keep them, so that when not in circulation hereafter they will be secure from injury.

"On last Sabbath an effort was made to raise money to repair the church edifice. In the church and congregation nearly every one did something. Then in the Sabbath-school I think each child contributed something. On next Tuesday evening the ladies will hold a sociable for the same end. So that you see all our forces have been rallied by your kind donation, and the prospect is good that, aided by our *Church Erection Board*, we shall very soon possess our house as good as new once more, or at least if not as good as new, made strong and safe against further storms, and attractive and pleasant as our Sabbath home.

"You may be assured that you have the place nearest the heart of eighty children and teachers in the De Soto Sabbath-school, and an interest every Sabbath in their prayers."



## BASKET OF BARLEY LOAVES.

Few of our books receive so prompt a recognition of their merit as "A Basket of Barley Loaves," a small volume of devotional readings recently published by the Board. (Price 75 cents.)

*The Reformed Church Monthly* says of it:

"Many a one, cheered and comforted by the precious words of this precious volume, will be glad that book-making had not come to an end before it was written and issued. Few books of so few pages contain so much counsel and encouragement for those who 'crave more of Christ in the soul and in the daily life, and who long for holiness and assurance' in Him. For the best of this 'Basket of Barley Loaves' is, that each one is leavened with the 'Bread of Life.'

"A precious little book," says the *Old School Presbyterian*, "prepared by one who has evidently been taught of God, and to whom Jesus is the altogether lovely one. These little 'loaves' will feed the soul and strengthen it unto assurance."

In a similar strain are the words of the *Sunday-School Times*:

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"My wife wants a dozen of them to give to her friends," writes an intelligent layman.

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 ERROR CORRECTED.

In the "Testimonies of the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church against Intemperance," the action of the Assembly of 1818 should read: "*They earnestly recommended*," in place of "*They enjoined*," therefore, the officers and members of our Church to abstain even from the common use of ardent spirits."

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 NEW BOOKS.

**The Teacher's Commentary on the Gospel Narratives of the Last Year of our Lord's Ministry.** With Maps, Illustrations, and a complete Index. By Rev. Henry C. McCook. 513 pp. 12mo. Price, \$1.25.

This handsome and valuable volume has been prepared for the use of those who are teachers of God's word in Sabbath-schools, Bible classes, lecture rooms, and elsewhere. It embraces the

Lesson Papers of the First Westminster Series for Teachers, and forms a practical commentary upon that portion of the life and teaching of our Lord commonly assigned by harmonists to the last year of his ministry. In the arrangement of the matter, the convenience of the worker and student has been mainly consulted. Even those who may find it practicable to study an entire section

will not care to wade through the whole when occasion requires a *quick reference* to some point in the history or geography. And to those who do not care for these matters, and those who do not value practical reflections, it certainly will be an advantage that the exposition stands by itself unencumbered (as it is for the most part) by all except that which is really important to explain *the sense of the text*.

But to many, the ANALYSIS, with its practical and devotional thoughts, will be very helpful. The justification for the frequent devotional expressions and ejaculations is the firm conviction that anything which is helpful to the *spirituality* of the teacher, is great gain to him in the matter of aptness both to understand and to teach.

THE QUESTIONS are meant to serve the double purpose of assisting the teacher in the study and review of the lesson, and of furnishing indicators of the subject matter and of the manner of class questioning.

Under the SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK is grouped matter intended especially for the platform and the infant school. In the SCHOLARS' DIRECTORY the "Theme for Prayer" is worthy the especial attention of teachers and officers.

Many teachers who are already familiar with these NOTES, through the use of the Westminster Lessons, will wish to have them in permanent form. As the *second year's course* of the Westminster Lessons is a continuation of the studies in The Last Year of our Lord's Ministry, this volume will be of value to those who purpose to continue that course of study.

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The MAPS have been drawn after the best and latest authorities, and will prove valuable to the teacher and student, as will also the numerous illustrative engravings.

The price has been made low (\$1.25) by the Board, so as to favor the purchasers of the book as far as possible.

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*Corresponding Secretary*, REV. H. R. WILSON, D.D., 30 Vesey Street, New York.  
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Having just completed a tour of ten thousand miles through our Western States and Territories, we are profoundly impressed with a sense of the magnitude and importance of our work. The demand for church buildings is not only *great*, but *rapidly growing*, and getting further and still further in advance of our work. These houses of worship *must* be built, or our Church interests suffer greatly in those rapidly growing towns and settlements. Indeed, the missionaries can do but little without them. For want of church accommodations we are losing many of our members; in some instances entire families have been absorbed by other denominations. Will not *all* our churches who are furnished with sanctuaries assist us in giving a helping hand to these shelterless folds in their struggle to build before the storms of winter are upon them? If left shelterless for another winter, many of them will be scattered to the winds. Some of the missionaries with whom I met, implored me either to secure aid to help them build, or to secure for them a field of labor in the East, as they can do so little where they are, and are not willing to throw away the best part of their lives in comparative uselessness.

As stated on a former occasion, there are a number of feeble churches who commenced to build in expectation of receiving aid from the Memorial Fund, but failing to get it, have fallen back upon the Board of Church Erection as their dernier resort. They tell us, that if we cannot help them in their extremity, and that speedily, their enterprise must fail and their buildings be sacrificed. Other denominations are waiting for the opportunity of getting these buildings at a sacrifice, and thus, not only get our property, but gobble up our church members. Shall this be permitted? Will not our wealthy churches come to their rescue? If so, let them send their contributions to the Board, that they may be used equitably, and where they are most needed. This thing of *special contribution* is oftentimes a very unwise appropriation of means; as the very same church to which these special donations have been sent may have received an appropriation from the Board, thus receiving double the amount they needed, while others, more needy, have received nothing. While congregations send their annual collections to particular churches, they do not assist the Board to fulfil their engagements to needy churches, whose applications have been endorsed by Presbytery, and who are depending solely upon the fulfilment of our pledge, to enable them to pay their workmen. This has become so serious an evil, that the Board is obliged to enter its protest against it. While some churches have, by their appeals through the press, (in addition to the aid received from the Board,) been enabled not only to complete their buildings, but also to procure carpets, organs, bells, fences and horse-sheds, others have been left unplastered, and without pulpits or pews. This ought not so to be. "Let there be equality."

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<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Mansfield ch	50 00	Cazenovia ch	21 70
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Camden 2d ch	28 00	Hannibal ch	10 00
Salem ch	65 00	Lysander ch	10 00
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Hudson</i> —		<i>Pby of Utica</i> —New York Mills ch	100 00
Florida 1st ch	27 00	Oneida ch	39 00
SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Chester</i> —		<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Gouverneur 1st ch	27 05
Oxford ch	37 50	Oswegatchie 2d ch	10 00
Upper West Nottingham ch	32 00	SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —	
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Barclay ch	9 35	Buffalo, Calvary ch	42 25
Abington ch	16 50	East Aurora ch	10 00
Gibson ch	9 80	<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Burns ch	2 00
Mehoopany ch	3 00	Canaseroga ch	3 00
Meshoppen ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Ogden ch	23 54
Susquehanna Depot 1st ch	22 60	Sparta 2d ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Mahanoy City ch	28 61	Spring Water ch	5 00
Shenandoah ch	4 00	West Mendon ch	11 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, Central</i> —		SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —	
Cohocksink ch	83 76	Hudson 1st ch, add'l	3 85
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —		<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —	
Norristown 2d ch	6 55	Milwaukee, Immanuel ch	68 17
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Columbia ch	51 42	Ottawa 1st ch	2 60
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —		MISCELLANEOUS.	
Beulah ch	23 00	J W Edwards, Marquette, Mich, special	500 00
Congruity ch	10 00	"H B S" and wife, Clearfield, Pa	4 00
Cross Roads ch	18 01	Rev J T Pollock, Monroeville, O	14 00
Ligonier ch	12 50	James P Stone, Irish Grove, Ill	5 00
Murraysville ch	15 02	R and S M Hawley, Putnamville, Ind	2 00
New Alexandria ch	68 15	"From Mary in Heaven"	100 00
New Alexandria Sab-sch	6 70	From a family in Camden 1st ch, N J	20 00
New Salem ch	25 55	Mrs J E DeKlyn, Irvington, N Y	5 00
Parnassus ch	15 00	J M Stiger, Plainfield, N J	6 00
Pleasant Grove ch	16 00	Miss Mary D McClellan, special	5 00
Unity ch	36 00	M Elliot, Memorial, Rochester Depot,	
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Bellefield ch	15 52	Ohio, special	15 60
Forest Grove ch	14 00	Interest on mortgage	175 00
Hazelwood ch	12 78	From the Memorial Fund.	
Hebron ch	7 36	For Normal ch, Ill	500 00
Hopewell ch	3 69	For Delano ch, Min	500 00
Mingo ch	59 50	For churches in the West	387 00
Mt Olivet ch	4 72	Roger Thompson, Hopkinsville, Ky	1 00
Mt Pisgah ch	10 00	Total for August,	\$9,111 69
Oakdale ch	6 75	NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.	
Pittsburgh 6th ch	32 90		
Swiss Vale ch	24 09		
<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Dunlap's Creek ch	18 00		
George's Creek ch	15 50		

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, SEPTEMBER 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Troy</i> —		<i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Leetonia ch	20 35
Troy, Oakwood Ave ch	9 20	Salem ch	23 25
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Washington City</i> —		<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bloomfield ch	8 00
Washington 6th ch	30 00	Centre Unity ch	4 00
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —		Cross Creek ch	8 00
Avondale ch	60 00	Kilgore ch	5 00
Cincinnati 5th ch	11 92	Two Ridge ch	19 46
Delhi ch	4 00	Wellsville ch	13 50
Loveland ch	29 70	SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —	
Springdale ch	26 00	Chester ch	2 38
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Dayton 3d ch	20 50	Congress ch	6 74
Middletown ch	9 42	Jackson ch	21 00
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —		Olvesburg ch	8 00
Willoughby ch	5 00	Wayne ch	12 00

<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Roseville ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —	
Uniontown ch	2 00	Orange 2d ch	183 50
Waterford ch	5 00	Whippany ch	10 00
<i>SYNOD OF ERIC</i> — <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —		<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Bridgeton 2d ch	19 00
Allegheny 2d ch	33 76	Cold Spring ch	34 00
Bridgewater ch	21 60	<i>SYNOD OF NEW YORK</i> — <i>Pby of Boston</i> —	
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Amity ch	11 25	Newburyport 1st ch	25 00
Harrisville ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Monroe ch	10 00
Sunbury ch	10 00	Washingtonville 1st ch	19 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Callensburg ch	10 00	<i>Pby of New York</i> —N Y, Murray Hill ch	35 15
Concord ch	8 00	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Bedford ch	24 30
Leatherwood ch	8 00	<i>SYNOD OF PACIFIC</i> — <i>Pby of Benicia</i> —	
Licking ch, add'l	10 00	Healdsburg ch	4 50
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Titusville 1st ch	100 00	<i>SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA</i> —	
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Clarksburg ch	8 21	<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —	
Ebenezer ch	17 62	Germantown, Market Square add'l	5 00
Worthington ch	13 00	Newtown ch	45 95
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Little Beaver ch	5 20	<i>Pby of West Westminster</i> —Bellevue ch	9 00
Mahonington ch	21 56	Cedar Grove ch	3 00
<i>SYNOD OF HARRISBURG</i> — <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —		<i>SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH</i> — <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —	
Burnt Cabins ch	5 00	Greensburg ch	22 77
Lower Path Valley ch	15 50	<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Canonsburg ch	16 00
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Alexandria ch	45 00	East Liberty ch	106 59
Lower Spruce Creek ch	15 66	Lebanon ch	33 85
Sinking Valley ch	21 18	Miller's Run ch	22 75
West Kishacoquillas ch	50 00	Raccoon ch	40 00
Williamsburg ch	18 00	Valley ch	12 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —		Wilkinsburg ch	38 85
Shamokin ch, Special	700 00	<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Rehoboth ch	16 00
<i>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL</i> — <i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —		Tyrone ch	18 72
Danville ch	28 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Claysville ch	65 50
Reading ch	3 15	Hookstown ch	7 35
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Macomb ch	24 00	West Union ch	18 00
<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Decatur 1st ch	46 94	<i>SYNOD OF TENNESSEE</i> — <i>Pby of New Orleans</i> —	
<i>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH</i> — <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —		New Orleans, 2d German ch	9 00
Aledo 1st ch	5 00	<i>SYNOD OF TOLEDO</i> — <i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —	
Centre ch	3 15	Bellefontaine 1st ch	10 00
<i>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH</i> — <i>Pby of Alton</i> —		<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Van Wert 1st ch	3 50
Nokomis ch	6 10	<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Delta ch	7 00
Rockwood ch	7 00	<i>SYNOD OF UTICA</i> — <i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —	
<i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Moawequa ch	4 10	Binghamton, North ch	9 40
West Okaw ch	13 00	<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Cape Vincent ch	10 00
<i>SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH</i> — <i>Pby of Logansport</i> —		Ox Bow ch	7 06
Michigan City ch	28 75	<i>SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK</i> — <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —	
Mishawaka ch	17 00	South Wales ch	2 00
<i>SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH</i> — <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —		<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Portageville ch	6 30
Indianapolis 3d ch	31 29	<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Geneseo, Central ch	16 63
Mission 5th ch	9 00	Rochester ch, add'l	110 47
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Jefferson ch	2 00	<i>SYNOD OF WISCONSIN</i> — <i>Pby of Milwaukee</i>	
Mt Lebanon ch	2 00	Jaynesville 1st ch	19 71
Pleasant Township ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —	
Rehoboth ch	2 00	Platteville, German ch	2 00
Sharon ch	2 40		
<i>SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH</i> — <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —			
Linn Grove ch	6 83		
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Byron Centre ch	3 40		
Independence ch	11 25		
Liberty ch	2 60		
<i>SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH</i> — <i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —			
Des Moines 1st ch	21 20		
Knoxville 1st ch	5 25		
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Salina ch	4 00		
<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Long Grove ch	5 00		
Red Oak ch	16 00		
Summit ch	9 00		
Walcott ch	6 50		
<i>SYNOD OF KANSAS</i> — <i>Pby of Neosho</i> —			
Oswego ch	5 00		
Paola ch	3 65		
<i>SYNOD OF KENTUCKY</i> — <i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —			
Lexington 2d ch	347 60		
<i>SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND</i> — <i>Pby of Nassau</i> —			
Huntington 1st ch	45 75		
<i>SYNOD OF MINNESOTA</i> — <i>Pby of Mankato</i> —			
South Bend ch	1 50		
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —			
Red Wing Sab-sch, Special	3 28		
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Lanesboro ch	4 00		
Rochester 1st ch	8 31		
<i>SYNOD OF MISSOURI</i> — <i>Pby of Osage</i> —			
Kansas City 1st ch	8 10		
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Brookfield ch	4 00		
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Mine La Motte 1st ch	16 05		
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Bethlehem German ch	4 00		
<i>SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY</i> — <i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —			
Tom's River ch	12 50		
Tuckerton ch	7 50		

## SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

<i>SYNOD OF BALTIMORE</i> — <i>Pby of New Castle</i> —	
White Clay Creek and Head of Christiana chs	54 00
<i>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH</i> — <i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —	
Ottawa ch	30 00
<i>SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH</i> — <i>Pby of Iowa</i> —	
Mt Pleasant 1st ch	45 16
<i>SYNOD OF NEW YORK</i> — <i>Pby of North River</i> —	
Amenia ch	30 00
<i>SYNOD OF UTICA</i> — <i>Pby of Utica</i> —	
Camden 1st ch	25 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Interest on Mortgages	2569 00
F B Hubbell, Philadelphia, Pa	7 00
Rev C D Roberts, Elko, Nevada	4 00
Rev W H Lyle, Mossy Creek, Tenn	5 00
D H McAlpin, N. Y. City	200 00
"W." Glade Kun ch, Pa	12 00
"L."	2 50
Rev A L Payson, Iowa, Memorial	5 00

## From the Memorial Fund.

From the Memorial Fund	1,423 60
Shamokin ch, Pa, Special, Memorial	700 00
From Sale of Los Angeles ch, Cal	100 00

Total for September \$8,599 62

NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.



## RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*

REV. CHARLES BROWN, *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

### PART OF AN ADDRESS BEFORE THE LATE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BY REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., SECRETARY.

(*Continued from page 318.*)

There has been an idea circulated through the churches, that these individuals—disabled ministers and the widows of ministers—are objects of charity, with special emphasis upon that word *charity*, as if it were a degradation. We look to you, brethren in the ministry; we look to you, the elders of the churches, to refute this error—it is in your power to make public opinion right on this subject. The church, at best, only gives the minister his *due*, and often does not half pay him. An unpaid ministry is no part of the Divine plan, neither is a half-paid ministry—much less is it a part of the Divine arrangement, that when ministers have done their work, they should be sent out to starve and die, like the old horse on the open common.

It is my earnest desire, brethren, that you would take up these points and spread them before your people. Two or three ministers of the gospel have said to me: "It is a delicate matter for us to speak on this subject to our people." Aye, my brethren; do you say that it is a delicate matter for you to bring forward the cause of Foreign Missions before your people, and ask them to contribute, to send and support ministers in the foreign field? Are you timid, are you ashamed, are you afraid to do that; are you timid in asking your people to contribute to the Board of Home Missions, to pay for the food and clothing of the noble-hearted men who go out on our frontier? No; you never are. Well, I ask you, what is there to make you either timid, backward, ashamed, or afraid to ask your brothers and sisters of the Church to contribute of their substance to pay the Church's debt to those noble men who have worn themselves out in the service of Christ? to contribute of their substance to supply the wants of these weeping widows and these orphans who are crying for bread? No! Away with any such excuse as this! Come, brethren, put yourselves in possession of this great question, so that you can say, as Paul did when he bade farewell to the Church of Ephesus, "I have not shunned to declare all the counsel of God."

Many a young man has paused before committing himself to the work of the ministry, when he has seen that the lot of some who have gone before him was extreme poverty, if not starvation. Is it reasonable in the church to fail in making ample provision for the wants of those who consecrate themselves, their talents and property too, that they may do the church's, not their work only, but the *church's* work. The Saviour's command "Go," is addressed to the whole church, and missionaries and ministers are only agents doing the church's work. There is a *quasi* contract between the church and her servants, that if they will take her place, and do this part of her work—preaching the everlasting gospel—that she will see to it that, sick or well, old or young, living or dying, they shall be under the church's care.

The bearing of this whole scheme is widely extended. Here, a young man with a little family gathering round him, writes to me: "Can my mother—my widowed mother—receive anything from your fund? Unless she can, I must resign my pastoral charge. I must leave this work in which I was so successful, here out on the frontier, and devote my attention to secular employment, to support her family as well as my own, for her support devolves upon me." I wrote back to him: "Sir, by no means intermit that work; go on preaching the everlasting gospel in the name of Jesus Christ. We will take care of your mother as long as she lives, and you may set your mind at rest on that question." This is not the only case. I give it to you as a representative one. Here is a young man of seventeen, who,

by the baptism of the Holy Ghost, received the spirit of consecration. He felt that if the way were open he would be glad to enter the sacred ministry; but he was the only son of his mother, and she a penniless widow. They talked over the matter. "My son, how can I give you up? you are my only support. If you devote your time now to preparing for the ministry, and enter the ministry, what is to become of me?" There was an answer to that question speedily found, and that was in an application to our Fund for a semi-annual remittance to support that widow of a minister. We need to go on and take care of that widow, and let that promising young man of talent enter the ministry and do the Lord's work. I could point you to a widow who is known to be relying upon what she receives from our Fund mainly, for the support of herself and her two boys. One of them is a member of the church, preparing for the sacred office, and she is their teacher in the Greek and Latin languages. I would rather have that widowed mother to be the teacher of those two boys to fit them for the service of the church, than any of the well-trained professors upon the best completed foundation in any of our institutions. And so I could tell you of another family of six; they are the widow and five children—the oldest fourteen and the youngest ten months. Thanks to this Fund, she is able to keep her children around her in their early years. I could point you to another widow with seven children, one of whose sons has been carried forward, until he is now a member of one of our colleges. Let these widows be sustained. Let them train their families, these children of the covenant, and, as I trust, heirs of eternal life, for the service of the church and of their God. I might occupy your time in reading letters which illustrate the effect which these gifts have on those who receive them. I could tell you of the load of sorrow which has been lifted from many a heart. I could tell you of the tears that have been wiped away. I could tell you of the cheerfulness which has been made to visit many a dwelling, even though these remittances may be, in the estimation of some, comparatively small. Brethren, let this work go on. Fill our treasury. We thank God for its remarkable success during the current year. From the first day of October our receipts have kept steadily in advance of our expenditures. I say, let this work go on. O my brethren, if all the churches were animated with the spirit of a brother out West, who sent us seventy-five cents, our treasury would be continually overflowing.

I commend this work to you, brethren of the ministry, to you, brethren of the eldership. Be pleased to see to it. Brethren of the Presbyteries, you should have an efficient, discriminating, and a working-committee in every one of your Presbyteries, who will see to it that every member in every vacant church, as well as in every church that has a pastor, is reached, and for this and every other object of the church. See to it that your committee searches out every person who is entitled to aid from this Board. We cannot do it except through your agency. Then pour in your contributions. You will find that God's word is true: "He that watereth shall be watered also himself." If we take care of the interests of Christ's ministers, and in the interest of His kingdom, He will take care of us.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS IN SEPTEMBER 1871.

##### SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany—*

Greenbush ch	\$13 00
Mariaville ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Columbia—Catskill ch</i>	98 56
<i>Pby of Troy—Troy, Woodside ch</i>	10 00
Troy, Oakwood Ave ch	12 03

##### SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore—*

Piney Creek ch	10 20
Emmitsburg ch	19 36
<i>Pby of New Castle—Green Hill ch</i>	20 82
Delaware City ch	15 35

##### SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe—*

North Fork ch	11 72
Pisgah ch	6 60
Washington ch	14 00
Marshall ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati—Lebanon 1st ch</i>	27 00
Somerset ch	5 00
Lane Seminary ch	86 75
<i>Pby of Dayton—Monroe ch</i>	12 00
Clifton ch	38 40
<i>Pby of Portsmouth—Manchester ch</i>	10 00
Gallipolis 1st ch	14 10
Red Oak ch	10 25

##### SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of St Clairsville—*

Rockhill ch	7 16
Cadiz ch	28 75
<i>Pby of Steubenville—Beech Spring ch</i>	20 20
Bloomfield ch	6 50
Centre Unity ch	4 00
Pleasant Hill ch	12 10
New Hagerstown ch	16 00
Cross Creek ch	8 00

##### SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Columbus—*

Columbus 1st ch	15 00
Central College ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Marion—Little Mill Creek ch</i>	8 25
York ch	7 00
Milford Centre ch	3 50
Marysville ch	6 50
<i>Pby of Wooster—West Salem ch</i>	4 00
Shelby ch	10 50
Olivesburg ch	7 00
Ashland 1st ch	24 19
Shreve ch	8 10
Hayesville ch	7 75
McKay ch	8 50
Wooster ch	40 00

<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Pata-kala ch	10 00	Lexington ch	11 50
<i>P Hill and Norwich chs</i>	10 00	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —La Grange ch	6 60
Jersey ch	14 50	Fort Wayne 2d ch	16 00
Rural Dale ch	3 65	<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Union City ch	10 00
Putnam ch	51 00	Shiloh ch	3 10
<b>SYNOD OF ERIE.</b> — <i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —		Perry-burg ch	2 60
Bakerstown ch	18 78	Tipton ch	4 15
Leetsdale ch	47 55	Hartford ch	2 00
Seewickly ch	65 00	<b>SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —	
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Portersville ch	4 10	Edinburgh ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Concord ch	10 00	Union 1st ch	6 80
Cailensburg ch	7 50	Southport ch	6 33
New Rehoboth ch	9 06	Hopewell ch	22 00
Clarion ch	14 53	New Pisgah ch	5 40
Licking ch	14 00	Bethany ch	11 00
Leatherwood ch	18 25	Bainbridge ch	6 25
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Greenville ch	63 00	Acton ch	5 00
Corry ch	16 50	<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —Hanover ch	8 00
Harbor Creek ch	9 61	Petersburgh ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Sheuango</i> —Clarksville ch	9 80	<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Washington ch	10 00
Neshannock ch	64 00	Mt Vernon ch	13 35
Little Beaver ch	7 60	<b>SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —	
<b>SYNOD OF GENEVA.</b> — <i>Pby of Chemung</i> —		Bethel ch	3 00
Burdett ch	10 50	Anamosa ch	2 40
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Newfield ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Hopkinton ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Canisteo ch	3 00	Frankville ch	7 00
Bath ch	18 50	<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —Albion ch	5 00
Arkport ch	5 00	Waverly ch	5 00
<b>SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.</b> — <i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —		<b>SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —	
Pine Grove ch	7 80	Cedar Rapids 2d ch	12 65
Middle Tuscarora ch	11 50	<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Des Moines 1st ch	21 25
Spruce Creek ch	165 21	Chariton ch	11 75
Phillipsburg ch	6 55	Centerville 1st ch	8 00
Keylertown ch	3 08	<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Fairfield ch	10 47
Bradford ch	2 65	Libertyville ch	1 50
Logan's Valley ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Iowa City</i> —Clarence ch	5 00
Shade Gap ch	4 55	Washington ch	24 00
Sinking Valley ch	25 01	Blue Grass ch	3 00
Upper Tuscarora ch	21 00	Hermon ch	3 00
Williamsburg ch	20 00	Fairview ch	4 50
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Mahoning ch	37 50	<b>SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.</b> — <i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —	
Williamsport 2d ch	59 35	Burlington ch	20 00
Dauphin ch	21 50	<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Bowling Green 2d ch	5 00
Shamokintown ch	8 53	<b>SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.</b> — <i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —	
Shamokintown Sab-sch	3 47	Rev P J H Myers	5 00
New Berlin ch	11 50	<b>SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.</b> — <i>Pby of Detroit</i> —	
<i>Pby of Wellsboro</i> —Wellsboro ch	8 00	Detroit, Jefferson Ave ch	114 65
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.</b> — <i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —		Wyandotte 1st ch	3 00
Chenoa ch	6 65	Mrs E Bull of Wing Lake ch	5 00
Tolono ch	11 20	<i>Pby of Grand Rapids</i> —Westminster ch	11 93
Champaign City ch	51 00	Spring Lake ch	5 53
Champaign City Sab-sch	13 00	<i>Pby of Kalamazoo</i> —	
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Atlanta ch	4 00	Three Rivers ch, per Dr Schenck	10 00
Mansfield ch	1 50	<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Tawas City ch	5 35
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Bardolph ch	5 00	East Tawas ch	1 40
Businell ch	7 00	Midland City ch	3 00
Camp Creek ch	12 00	<b>SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.</b> — <i>Pby of Mankato</i> —	
Ebenezer ch	10 00	Redwood Falls and Beaver Falls ch	6 00
Liberty ch	7 00	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Dundas ch	3 55
<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Irish Grove ch	9 00	Forest ch	1 15
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Freeport</i> —		Farmington ch	5 00
Freeport 2d ch	11 40	<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Richland Prairie ch	5 30
Middle Creek ch	7 00	Lake City ch	10 00
Winnebago 1st ch	6 05	<b>SYNOD OF MISSOURI.</b> — <i>Pby of Osage</i> —	
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Ottawa 1st ch	12 65	Kansas City 1st ch	8 15
Farm Ridge ch	7 71	<i>Pby of Platte</i> —Chillicothe ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Milan ch	9 00	<b>SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.</b> — <i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —	
Coal Valley ch	4 00	Mount Holly ch	18 57
Centre ch	3 15	Red Bank ch	34 00
Edgington ch	7 40	Hightstown ch	20 00
Pleasant Ridge ch	3 60	<i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Chatham ch	52 00
Princeton 1st ch	30 30	German Valley ch	13 19
Princeton Sab-sch	4 00	<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 1st ch	150 00
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Alton</i> —		<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Deckertown ch	22 70
Chester ch	6 00	Harmony ch	16 45
Pleasant Ridge ch	4 00	<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Bridgeton 1st ch	130 00
Butler ch	13 00	Glassboro ch	2 73
Virden ch	45 50	Vineland ch, Rev J O Wells	20 00
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Flora ch	10 00	<b>SYNOD OF NEW YORK.</b> — <i>Pby of Hudson</i> —	
Richview ch	10 50	Hamptonburgh ch	43 81
Centralia ch	6 00	<i>Pby of North River</i> —Kingston ch	5 00
Enfield ch	5 00	Freedom Plains ch	15 00
Sharon ch	3 00	Bethlehem ch	27 55
<i>Pby of Mattoon</i> —Neoga ch	4 79	Rondout ch	80 00
Mattoon 2d ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Westchester</i> —	
Rev W B Faris and wife	4 90	Thompsonville 1st ch	20 00
<b>SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.</b> — <i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —		Mt Kisco ch	13 90
Oxford ch	2 05	Yorktown ch	22 00
Crawfordsville 1st ch	10 00	Bridgeport ch	75 00



SYNOD OF PACIFIC.— <i>Pby of Sacramento</i> —		Iowa, Council Bluffs 1st ch	19 85
Rev C D Roberts	2 00	Ill, Manteno ch	13 85
SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Chester</i> —		N Y, Penn Yan ch	53 70
Downingtown Central ch	17 49	Ohio, Ripley ch	11 75
Upper Octofara ch	31 71	Iowa, Vinton 2d ch	11 32
Oxford ch	72 62	Minn, St Paul Central ch	21 07
Waynesburg ch	23 37	N Y, Johnstown ch	39 80
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Wilkesbarre ch	91 00	Ohio, Xenia 1st ch	43 55
Troy ch	32 06	N Y, Jasper 1st ch	8 00
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Easton 1st ch	80 00	Anonymous	5 00
Catasauqua 1st ch	18 51	Ind, Bloomington, Walnut St ch	26 65
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —		Ill, Mattoon 1st ch	2 40
"S S," per Rev James Boggs	15 00	Ohio, Chillicothe, Union ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, Central</i> —		Cal, Napa City ch	31 00
Kensington ch	68 50	N J, Elizabeth 2d ch	73 32
Philadelphia, Fifteenth St ch	19 00	N Y, Ripley 2d ch	12 05
Woodland ch	71 76	N Y, Ausable Forks ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —		Ind, Indianapolis 3d ch	54 78
Germanstown 1st ch	300 00	N Y, Waterville 1st ch	24 20
Germanstown, Market Square ch	35 00	N J, Clayton, Fislerville ch	27 50
Port Kennedy ch	10 68	N Y, Syracuse, Park ch	35 00
Norristown 2d ch	12 35	N Y, Albion 1st ch	15 00
Solebury ch	14 60	N Y, Saratoga Sab-sch, 2d ch	32 77
Abington ch	24 00	Mich, Monroe 1st ch	15 00
Newtown ch	43 06	Pa, Tidouche ch	25 00
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —		Ill, Fulton ch	6 75
Cedar Grove ch and Sab-sch	10 00	Ill, Woodstock ch	4 00
Bellevue ch	22 52	Ohio, Toledo 1st ch	11 18
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —		N Y, Brownville ch	4 95
New Salem ch	20 11	N Y, Dexter ch	4 25
Unity ch	32 50	Ill, Galesburg ch	37 92
Beulah ch	36 75	Pa, Harrisburg Seventh St ch	20 00
Greensburg ch	30 92	Ohio, Kingston, Mt Pleasant ch	8 00
Irwin's Station ch	7 67	Ind, Muncie ch	11 00
Congruity ch	10 45	Kansas, Ottawa, 1st ch	7 40
Cross Roads ch	22 18	Kansas, Highland ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Swissvale ch	40 00	Interest on Permanent Fund	344 08
Hazlewood ch	13 63	Col, Denver 1st ch	11 63
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —		Ill, Galena 1st ch	9 10
Forks of Wheeling ch	30 00	N Y, Clarkson ch	10 00
West Liberty ch	8 76	Ill, Danville ch	68 50
Cross Roads ch	6 00	Ohio, Granville ch	12 00
Lower Ten Mile ch	15 00	Ohio, Blendon ch	6 00
Hookstown ch	6 50	Pa, Birmingham ch	48 77
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Hugh's River ch	4 25	Pa, Bb, Manor ch	15 40
SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —		N J, Elizabethport ch	30 00
Huntville ch	5 00	Mrs H A Teachant	3 43
<i>Pby of Lima</i> —Sidney 1st ch	17 15	Ohio, Norwalk 1st ch	28 00
Ottawa ch	3 00	N Y, Hannibal ch	10 00
Wapakoneta ch	4 00	Iowa, Birmingham ch	10 35
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Bethesda ch	8 00	Ky, Ashland ch	43 85
SYNOD OF UTICA.— <i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —		Ind, Princeton 1st ch	10 00
Canton ch	20 00	Ohio, Rockport ch	2 10
Oswegatchie 2d ch	11 00	Ohio, Columbus Grove ch	4 00
Waddington ch	9 30	Pa, Lower Spruce Creek ch	23 73
SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —		Ill, Aurora 1st ch	6 13
Buffalo, Breckinridge St ch	14 00	Ill, Bethel ch	9 05
Buffalo, Calvary ch	100 00	Mich, Lansing 2d ch	12 40
West Aurora ch	10 00	Ohio, Osborn ch	5 46
<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Portageville ch	4 42	Ohio, Bath ch	5 12
Perry ch	7 90	Ill, Clinton ch	26 10
Wyoming ch	18 75	Ill, Young America 1st ch	13 50
Batavia ch	52 76	Tenn, Kingston ch	6 00
Mrs Carrie E MacCarthy	5 00	N Y, Theresa ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —Medina 1st ch	6 40	N Y, Plessis ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Brighton 1st ch	17 00	Minn, South Bend ch	3 40
Westminster ch	18 15	Ind, Vevay ch	3 70
SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —		Minn, St Peter, Union ch	26 00
Chippewa Falls ch	4 50	N Y, Oswego 1st ch	60 52
Hixion ch	3 00	N Y, New York City, Mrs Alexander Cle-	
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Dalafield ch	5 00	ments	50 00
<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Weyauwega ch	5 00	Ind, Alquina, A Chapman	5 00
De Pere ch	8 00	Minn, Albert Lea ch	9 00
<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —		N Y, America 1st ch	10 00
Platteville Ger ch	2 00	Cal, Brooklyn ch	12 00
		Ill, Alton 1st ch	38 60
The following omitted to mention Presbyteries or		Ind, Indianapolis 1st ch, Memorial Fund	170 93
Synods.		N J, Stockton 1st ch	20 98
N Y, Irvington, Mrs J E. DeKlyn	5 00	Ind, Indianapolis 2d ch	52 71
"D M H"	10 00	N J, Roselle 1st ch	20 00
N Y, Attica ch	12 67	Ohio, Bucyrus 1st ch	24 61
Md, New Windsor ch	5 19	Ill, North Henderson 1st ch	27 70
Ind, Greenwood ch	7 00	N J, Bordentown 1st ch	9 00
Ohio, Mt Blanchard ch	2 50	Ohio, Milfordton, Rev John Pitkin	1 00
Ohio, Forest ch	3 00		
N Y, from the estate of the late Rev D C		Total receipts in September,	\$7,186 73
Hopkins, per C A Hopkins	10 00		
Ill, Malden ch	5 90	CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer,	
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SUCCESS.

The Minutes of the General Assembly for 1871 report 4616 churches, and 27,770 members added on examination during the year. The Presbyterian Committee of Missions for Freedmen reports for the same period 97 churches, and 1007 added on examination. Subtract the number of Freedmen's churches from the whole number reported, and the number added on examination to these, from the whole number reported as thus added, and the figures will show that while the number added on examination to all other churches under care of our General Assembly, makes an average to each of only five and a fraction, the number so added to her churches among the Freedmen, makes an average to each of ten and a fraction; showing a success, in this regard, nearly one-half larger, granted to her laborers among these poor and lowly, than that given in all her other fields combined.

"COME OVER AND HELP US."

A colored missionary in North Carolina writes thus:

"The burden of this work rests on me with such a heavy weight that I cannot rest. \* \* \* It is a sad and painful sight to see so much want for schools and churches, while I cannot offer to those so anxious for them one word of encouragement. To-day I received a pressing message from some colored people, Presbyterians, in D—, Virginia. This last message from D— was delivered to me by the Methodist minister of that place, who offers from his people to pay half of my fare from G— to D—. I have since June received three of these messages, and from H— messages until I have ceased to count them. During the month of July I received from R— two of such invitations, one from F—, and one from H—, N C. I don't pretend to tell you of the places needing schools, teachers, and preachers, in the three counties of my missionary work. Sometimes when the people come to ask me if I can do anything to place the church and school house among them, I fear I give short and unkind answers to their kind and earnest entreaties. But what must I do? I can't fill *more* points, and unless help comes, I must drop some places I already hold. The people demand more preaching, and unless they get it, they will leave our church for others where preaching can be had every Sabbath. This is particularly the case in the larger towns. I have told the people to do all they can to sustain the gospel, and this will encourage the Committee to send them help."

SOWING AND REAPING.

A white missionary writes:

"C——, S. C., Sept. 4th, 1871.

"The hot days of August are over, and we begin to live again with some measure of comfort. During all the month nearly, the thermometer has ranged from ninety degrees to one hundred and five degrees in the shade. But our work has not stood still during the heated term. We have all been engaged actively in our work, and the Lord has greatly prospered it. Special meetings have been

held at B—— and at R—— H——, and in them all, including the one held just at the close of July at O——, about one hundred have seemed anxiously seeking salvation. At O—— and B——, the special interest was on the Sabbath, when we continued our meeting for over five hours, taking but a short recess between the services. At B—— nearly a hundred remained to be conversed with and prayed for, though only between thirty or forty seemed deeply interested. The meetings were all conducted with perfect stillness, and only the Spirit of the Lord could have awakened so deep an interest in a people like them, in connection with the gravity and quietness of our Presbyterian services."

From the same:

"Sept. 30th, 1871.

"We have all worked diligently this month, and many blessings have attended our labors. At R—— H——, and B——, we have had communion seasons, receiving at B—— eighteen members, and at R—— H—— twenty-seven. \* \* \* Sabbath before last I was at B—— B——. Some four hundred or more were present, and sixty presented themselves as seekers of salvation. \* \* \* The work is more prosperous in this field than ever before. There have been about one hundred and sixty inquirers in all within the past two months."

"THEIR DEEP POVERTY ABOUNDED UNTO THE RICHES OF THEIR LIBERALITY."

A colored missionary writes:

"At a congregational meeting on Edisto Island, South Carolina, on behalf of the exigencies of the congregation for a lot and commodious building, the members resolved to do all they can to have the church built this fall. The male members tax themselves, some six dollars, some eight dollars, some ten dollars, and so on; the females from two dollars and fifty cents to five dollars, six dollars, and seven dollars. You see then, brethren, we are trying to do all we can, by putting our imbecility in pecuniary efficacy before our friends at the North, that they may come to our rescue."

#### DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN SEPTEMBER, 1871.

Brunswick ch, Presby of Troy	\$5 00	Buffalo ch, Presby of St Clairsville	7 25
Waterford ch, Presby of Troy	21 81	Canistota ch, Presby of Steuben	3 00
St Luke's ch, Presby of Union	5 50	Neshannock ch, Presby of Chippewa	6 10
Mission Sab-sch, Presby of Yadkin	1 50	Long Island ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	5 00
Walnut Street ch, Presby of Louisville	19 70	Shady Side Sab-sch, Presby of Pittsburgh	100 00
Roger Thompson, Presby of Louisville	1 00	First ch Mattoon, Presby of Mattoon	2 50
Memorial Fund for Scotia Seminary	5 00	Aurora ch, Presby of Cayuga	28 80
Memorial Fund for schools among Freedmen	122 00	Rev John Pitkin, Milfordton, O, Presby of Zanesville	10 00
Memorial Fund for endowment of schools	59 00	Fayetteville ch, Presby of Syracuse	35 00
Samuel Merchant, Ex of estate of J S Wilkin, late of Cross Creek ch, Pres of Washington	49 70	Sinking Valley and Spring Creek ch, Presby of Huntington	36 00
First ch Middletown, Presby of Hudson	20 00	Westfield ch, Presby of Elizabeth	26 09
First ch Princeton, New Brunswick	17 28	Memorial ch, Presby of Cleveland	6 00
Ewing ch, Presby of New Brunswick	25 00	Berlin ch, Presby of Marion	10 00
Mrs "E T M," Philadelphia, Pa	10 00	Bridgeton 1st ch, Presby of West Jersey, Memorial	34 00
Family in 1st ch Camden, N J, Presby of West Jersey	20 00	Rev R W Marquis, Keene, Ohio	16 09
Wellsville ch, Presby of Steubenville	11 00		\$1,392 83
M W Cogswell, Elyria ch, Presby of Cleveland	5 00		
Baraboo ch, Presby of Wisconsin River	5 00		
Lodi Sab-sch, Presby of Wisconsin River	1 50		
Clarence ch, Presby of Iowa City	5 00		
Croton Falls ch, Presby of West Chester	6 00		
Port Chester ch, Presby of West Chester	13 00		
J T Wilson, New York, for support of Professors and Teachers at Charlotte, N C	500 00		
Flora ch, Presby of Cairo	5 00		
West Hampton ch, Presby of Long Island	8 00		
High Street ch, Presby of Newark	25 50		
Central ch, Presby of Newark	74 00		
Milwaukee ch, Presby of Milwaukee	15 00		

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*Rév. S. Matton, D.D., Pres.,* acknowledges receipts for BIDDLE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, as follows, from

Judge O M Dorman, Norfolk, Va 50; Miss R Gould 25; Miss Georgina Gould 25; A lady in 1st Presby ch, Saratoga, N Y 50; Sab-sch in same ch 50; Albert Whiting, sisters and brothers 100  
\$300 00



## SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. M. W. JACOBUS, D.D., *Secretary.*

ALLEGHENY, Oct 3d, 1871.

The Sustentation Scheme is *new*, and though so cordially and unanimously adopted and enjoined by the General Assembly, the churches are naturally slow to understand its provisions and claims. The working is admirable in bringing Stated Supplies to become Pastors, and in stimulating churches to increase their quota of salary as a condition of aid, systematizing the beneficence of the people, holding up a *minimum of contribution* for the membership, which operates as an incentive to many churches who fall far behind this quota, and thus every way serving to make more stable and fruitful to the relations of minister and people.

*Money* is urgently needed to carry forward the scheme. The only salary paid is a small salary of a clerk, so that there can be no objection to the cost of machinery. The struggling ministers and churches will receive the funds contributed. Some are already transferred to us from the Home Mission Board, and the aim is to relieve that Board so far as the churches will furnish the funds. Applications will increase after the meetings of the Presbyteries; and though each of these is carefully searched into, the prompt and liberal coöperation of the churches is necessary. Ruling Elders in some of the Presbyteries are interesting themselves in the work. Many pastors, in answer to our circular of last winter, agreed to secure an amount equal to at least *one-twentieth* of their salary in order to promote this cause. These remittances would much further the great object now at the outstart. The following *circular* has been addressed to the Presbyteries.

To the Presbytery of ————

THE SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY beg leave respectfully to call the attention of the Presbyteries in whose bounds there are churches seeking aid under this scheme, to Sec. IX. of the scheme, as adopted by the General Assembly, to wit:

(IX.) That each Presbytery shall appoint one efficient member whose duty it shall be to examine every application for aid under this scheme, and to report to Presbytery full information as to the prospects of the church for usefulness and growth, and as to the possibility of consolidation, or association, with a neighboring church, and as to the amount of self-help, with other conditions entitling it to aid under this scheme. Also, to receive moneys from the churches of the Presbytery, and to remit monthly to the Central Sustentation Committee.

1. The careful inquiry into each case is required.

2. The consolidation of weak churches, or association with a neighboring church under one Pastorate, is urged as a great necessity for economizing the funds of the Church.

3. The duty of Presbytery to require of the churches the fullest amount of self-help, as a condition of aid, is emphasized.

See also Sec. IV. as to delinquent churches.

" Sec. VI. as to systematic giving to this, and other Boards.

" Sec. VIII. as to report of salaries.

## RECEIPTS IN JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER, 1871.

Great Valley ch	\$25 00	Memorial ch, Cleveland	4 00
Central ch, Pittsburgh, W W Patrick, Esq	500 00	First ch Paola, Kansas	25 00
First Presby ch Bloomfield, N J	305 00	Presby ch Carmi, Ill	16 15
Dr Hall's ch, N Y, William Walker, Esq	100 00	First ch Brookfield, Mo	27 00
First Presby ch Harrisburgh	50 00	Chs Windham Centre	10 00
Mr McCutchan, Ohio	18 37	Memorial Committee	165 00
Presby ch Dalton, Ohio	35 00	Presby ch Stanhope, N J	35 00
Central ch, Pittsburgh, add'l	5 00	Presby ch Van Wert, Lima Presby, Ohio	5 50
Memorial Committee	497 75	Presby ch Oregon, Wisconsin	30 00
First Presby ch Kittanning, Pa	100 00	Presby ch Smithfield, Ohio	30 00
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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

THE GERMAN PROBLEM AGAIN.

Nothing in our columns for many months past has awakened more interest than the discussions in the September number, "A Day among our Friends." The German question has been carefully considered. We are all obtaining light. Confidence that had begun to wane is beginning to be restored. The weakness and the strength of the German work are becoming manifest. Against the one we must guard, for the other we may take courage. The discussion is doing good. It has mostly been conducted by the Germans themselves. But some of them have been so intemperate in their language that we feel debarred from publishing their articles. The writer against whom they unite is no "slanderer" or "block-head." He is the peer of the best of us. Hard words are not appropriate to him, but ply him with hard arguments as much as you will.

But let us hear what his brethren say.

The first letter is from a worthy brother in Missouri.

*Dear Brother,*—In some of the last issues of the "*Record*" I have read with interest about the "German Problem," and I am truly glad that this matter has assumed such dimensions as to arrest the attention of the Board and the Church at large. I have for years felt grieved to see the thing running wild, and I have sometimes felt ashamed to be a German Presbyterian minister, looking anxiously for the time that now has come, when, as I hope, this business will be subjected to a thorough sifting.

The cause of the problem is twofold. In the first place, it is well known all over the land that the Presbyterian Church is a *wealthy* church, liberally aiding missionary enterprises in a systematic way. Unprincipled ministers of all kinds of creeds, for the sake of finding a living, are tempted to join our Presbyteries, gather in haste a few people around them, organize churches, and apply to the Board for aid. The second cause is, that the Presbyteries do not exercise any proper control over these missionary enterprises. The Presbyteries are, on account of the language, too easily imposed upon by hypocritical ministers, and hardly ever look into the state of their

missions; they recommend the people upon their own statements to the various Boards, and remain in the dark, until, after many days and squandering of means, the enterprise either proves to be a mere sham, or its real character becomes exposed, and Presbytery has to apply discipline, the minister runs away, the people are cut off, and that is the end of it.

The solution of the problem seems to be very simple.

The Board ought to commission a German missionary for the whole Presbyterian Church, to look after the interests of the Church in regard to that special cause. The man to be appointed ought to be a German Presbyterian minister, a godly man, educated in our Church, fully in sympathy with the creed and usages of the Church, of good experience in the pastoral work amongst the Germans, and versed in both languages.

The duties of the commission should be in the main such as is assigned to a District Secretary, with such additional duties as that particular field would require.

The object of the missionary should be to supply the Boards with a correct knowledge of the state of all the existing organizations and ministers; to be the medium of the Board to obtain the true state of things of every new enterprise; and to aid the Board as well as Presbyteries, that they be not imposed upon by unprincipled men coming from other denominations. In short, to exercise a general oversight over the whole field; to foster by all means every worthy cause, and, as much as possible, keep the church thoroughly posted as to the character and labors of the German ministers and churches.

#### *The Other Side.*

In addition, I cannot help to add a few words of encouragement. I do not wish to leave the impression upon you, as if the German portion of the Church was not a worthy one. Whilst I speak, with nearly a bleeding heart, of the abuses of *unprincipled* men and ignorant people, I can assure you with a feeling of joy, that there are German Presbyterian ministers and congregations in our connection, who are before God and men jewels in the Minutes of your Church. Whilst I speak of the hypocrites, I feel assured that no church in the land, perhaps, considering the small number, has such a set of godly, intelligent, gifted, and faithful German ministers as our Church has; and congregations, which, in their spirit and practice, are well worthy to be amongst the number that claim to be of primitive origin.

The two following letters seem to misapprehend the article they are replying to. The author of that article does not object to the use of the German language. He preaches in German every Sabbath. His argument is a plea for the English language *a part of the time*. He would not exclude German, but he is opposed to those who would exclude English. He pleads for the use of the English language for the young. He only objects to the *exclusive* use of the German.

Dr. George C. Seibert, pastor of the Third Presbyterian German church in Newark, N. J., writes as follows:

What you call the "German Problem" is in fact an American Problem also. It is the question, How can we Christianize the people of all nations? When I came to Newark I found a little flock of thirty persons somewhat



hastily gathered. I preached the gospel in German, because this is the only language the people fully understand, and now I have a congregation of about three hundred members.

Do you know, sir, what I would have accomplished had I preached in English? I answer, nothing.

My German brethren in the ministry, who have gathered larger congregations than I have—Rev. J. U. Guenther of Newark, and Neander of Williamsburg—I know will say the same thing.

The next letter is from Dubuque, Iowa, and is worthy to be read:

The Germans, in general, think it necessary for their children to learn the English; but they deem it sufficient to send them to the public schools for that purpose. But, on the other hand, they will also have them learn their mother language. And this ought certainly not to seem odd, or offend any American, seeing so many of them have their own children learning the German language. And now, here is just the point I wish to be taken notice of. The German, being not taught in public schools, the only opportunity the German children have for learning their own language is in the Sabbath-school, in most places at least. Of this fact the Lutheran and other denominations have always made use, to great advantage, in attracting parents and children.

Now, to introduce the English, would not only cause the children to stay away from the Sabbath-schools, and thus break them up, but it would also induce the greater number of their parents to unite with other churches where the German is in use, and where their children would be instructed in German in the Sabbath-school. This fact is of great importance, and should not be overlooked. I earnestly believe that the Presbyterian Church is the best existing, not only for Americans, but also for Germans; and it would grieve me to my inmost soul to see her cast out her children, which are certainly dear to the Lord, and ought to be dear to her.

Hence, my opinion on the "Problem" is simply this. Let the gospel, pure and simple, be preached to Germans *by* Germans, and leave both ministers and people over to the current which will and must take them along, and you will find them Americanized as fast as can be desired. For the Church to make an extra effort towards attaining this object, is, to my mind, sheer nonsense, a waste of effort which will only mar and destroy what nature alone would bring around all right. The "chief end" of the Presbyterian Church is certainly not to *Americanize* foreigners, but to *Christianize* them, *i. e.*, to lead sinners of every color and language to Christ the Saviour. In so doing she will not only best serve Christ, but also her country. And I think this can be done best by just using their own respective languages until they freely accept the English. Emigrants, *e. g.*, could not be reached otherwise.

In the above conclusion we can all agree. In fact, the truth is not all on one side. There is truth in all that has been said on the subject. Let us candidly read all and weigh it carefully, and remember it is not Americans differing from Germans, but Germans differing from one another. Let us hear each other patiently, and we shall at length agree, and probably agree on the truth.

With the following *resumé* of the question from an estimable American minister in the Northwest, we close the subject for this number.

This Presbytery—Dubuque—is the very home of German Presbyterianism in the West. I am no enthusiast, but sober thought drives me to positive convictions, and I do hope that this great interest of the Church may not be imperilled by any lack of faith in the work.

The Germans constitute a mighty element in the State, and their religious improvement is joined with our prosperity as a people.

One Board—Education—favors this work. Dubuque Seminary is under its fostering care. Its ministers of past graduation, as those under present instruction, rely on Home Missions for aid in their labors. To withdraw from their support seems to be a wasting of the Church's money given in this other channel.

The German work is productive, more than seems to you in the distance. Even now these poor churches, (and they are composed mainly of the poor), are giving a large sum—several thousand dollars—toward the endowment of a professorship in the Dubuque Seminary. Many of them are self-sustaining, others are hopefully struggling towards this end. Some, indeed, are heavy drags, but not more so than many American churches. At this point the German church demands a large sum, but it is doing a good work: it raises *twice* the amount of last year—two hundred dollars for one hundred dollars—but its present pastor has a large family—has no other dependence. When our hold relaxes, other denominations stand ready to grasp. These are facts. We are not less apt than they, at least ought not to be, to do this confessedly difficult work.

By urging too much the duty of becoming *Americanized*, we wound the feelings of our German brethren. They cannot help becoming Americanized as time progresses. It is the manifest destiny of the people to become denationalized, and they know it; and they, many of them, struggle against it. By not pressing it, we gain their good-will, and their children frequent Sabbath-schools and American services, until at length their home is established. I do think it an error to insist too much on this point. Americans in Germany would cling in like manner to customs, speech, traditions of fatherland, while insensibly yielding to the same inevitable cause of assimilation.

Please pardon my freedom in addressing you. So well knowing the views of German brethren, and many of our very best American ministers here.

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#### A RICH MINISTER.

*What is an adequate support?*

“From the *Record*, I find brethren are considerably agitated over the question of how much is sufficient for the support of a minister. Without claiming to be a judge in such matters, I may say, that so much depends on previous habits, general financial ability—I don't think it absurd to use such a phrase in connection with our little affairs—ideas of our necessities, &c., that

one man will be as contented and make as good an appearance, and perhaps have more real enjoyment with six hundred dollars, than another with eight hundred dollars. From my own experience and observation, with a very moderate share of prudence and economy, eight hundred dollars will furnish even a man of family with an adequate and comfortable support. With my own salary of six hundred dollars, I am in easy circumstances. Being advanced in life, my family are no longer dependent upon me. In fact, my old lady and myself have come back to first principles; such being the case, with six hundred dollars, the kindness of the people—and they are very kind—and an occasional missionary box, I have all I need, and abound, and do not desire to be placed in the category of poor ministers. I am as well off, and better, than the most of my people, and am content.”

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#### WHAT ARE THE SONS OF LEVI DOING?

*Dear Brother*,—Can you help Missouri—East Missouri especially—to help herself. In the Presbytery of P——, in reporting on benevolence and sustentation, I told them openly that the ministers themselves ought to raise more for Home Missions than had been raised by all the churches. I showed them that we did not return to the Board one-tenth of what was received—in our annual contributions. Since then I have the General Assembly's *Minutes*, and this Presbytery is reported as having fourteen hundred and four members, and as raising for Home Missions two hundred and sixty-eight dollars, which is not quite twenty cents per church member. We have applied for between six and seven thousand dollars this year, and I believe have received it. This is not too much; but then we ought to show a better return than two hundred and sixty-eight dollars, which is thirteen dollars and forty cents per minister at work, or six dollars per church. What we give is about four per cent. of what we receive. *The ministers* are culpable in this exhibit. This four per cent. is what the whole membership raises, and it is only the per centage of what the ministers get from the Mission Board, and not of the entire salaries, to say nothing of other incomes of these preachers. May we not be expected to pay back into the Lord's treasury at least ten per cent., or the tithes, of what we receive? The ministers of P—— Presbytery ought to pay more than the whole amount as now raised. The fact is, too many preachers have got to be stingy with their churches. A Home Missionary receiving three hundred and fifty dollars from the Board, holding a farm of two hundred acres, ought to report his church good for more than the paltry sum of twenty dollars! A man receiving perhaps six or seven hundred dollars ought to pay more than three dollars! Why, sir, this is far behind the Sandwich Islands; the Feejees would be ashamed of such returns. But I must not go on at this rate, my head and heart are hot, and my blood boils within me.

If you will authorize me, I believe I could get up an exposé on this theme



that would make ears tingle among the sons of Levi. I know one man who has drawn his thousands, and yet he won't *subscribe* for a religious paper. For about five or six hundred dollars he receives this year, he reports nine dollars from his two churches.

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### EVIDENTLY DYING.

I received my last quarter's payment from the Board in good time to relieve my pressing wants for the present. I thought I would write you something of my hopes and of my anxieties for the future. In the first place, I do not know how I can stay here another year, or any longer than the 1st of September. My year will be out then with the Board, and I cannot see, or feel that it is my duty to try to remain here any longer. There is hardly any encouragement to remain longer. I can see but little hope of the church increasing either in numbers or strength.

The church is exceedingly slow about paying what they promised, and what the commission from the Board requires. I have been preaching for them now fourteen months, and they have only paid me eighty-five dollars and ten cents, leaving one hundred and fourteen dollars and ninety cents to be paid between this and the 1st of September, or fail to get another appropriation from the Board.

I called the officers of the church together three weeks ago and urged them to make settlement immediately, so they could renew their application to the Board for another year at least, one month before the close of this; so you might know whether another appropriation would be asked for from this church in good time. But as yet, so far as I know, they have not been making any efforts to collect or settle what is due me. If I agree to remain with them another year, they will be compelled to make full payment by the 1st of September, and then renew their application through Presbytery, at its regular meeting on the 12th of September.

Our weak churches are badly arranged in this part of our Presbytery, not enough of them supplied by one minister, and the consequence is, we are drawing too much from the Board. If I live till the meeting of Presbytery, I intend to make an effort to have our churches so arranged as that they can come nearer giving a support for each minister who supplies them, and this, doubtless, will make it necessary for me to leave this field that it may be connected with others.

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### HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN OCTOBER, 1871.

Rev. George Brown, Hamden ch., N. Y.  
Rev. E. B. Wells, Tyrone and Sugar Hill chs., N. Y.  
Rev. R. L. McCune, Heuvelton ch., N. Y.

Rev. W. P. Barker, South Wales ch., N. Y.  
Rev. Henry Ward, Buffalo, East ch., N. Y.  
Rev. J. M. Eusslin, Bloomfield, Ger. ch., N

Rev. H. R. Hall, Columbus ch., N. J.  
Rev. R. R. Thompson, Weehawken ch., N. J.  
Rev. J. A. Rosseel, Mansfield and Covington chs., Pa.  
Rev. W. H. Hodge, Philadelphia, Columbia Ave. ch., Pa.  
Rev. James Dickson, Berwick, Briar Creek and Light St. chs., Pa.  
Rev. P. S. Davies, Birmingham ch., Pa.  
Rev. C. P. Mallory, Chesapeake City ch., Md.  
Rev. E. W. P. Wyatt, Kingston and Rockwood chs., Tenn.  
Rev. W. S. Doak, Timber Ridge ch., Tenn.  
Rev. J. McMurray, Georgetown ch., Texas.  
Rev. H. P. Young, Galveston Ger. ch., Texas.  
Rev. Warren Taylor, Wilkesville ch., Ohio.  
Rev. W. H. Honnell, Patterson ch., Ohio.  
Rev. Thos. Elcock, Harrison, Shanesville and New Salem chs., Ohio.  
Rev. Israel Price, Richmond ch., Ohio.  
Rev. John Heckman, Portsmouth, German ch., Ohio.  
Rev. D. M. Williamson, Perrysburg, Shiloh and Franklin chs., Ind.  
Rev. J. S. Robertson, Sullivan and Farmersburg chs., Ind.  
Rev. E. H. Post, Lake Prairie ch., Ind.  
Rev. J. M. Linn, Durand ch., Ill.  
Rev. W. W. Faris, Vermont ch., Ill.  
Rev. D. B. Fleming, Deer Creek ch., Ill.  
Rev. R. A. Criswell, Covell, Cheney's Grove and Mackinaw chs., Ill.

Rev. J. R. Wilson, Normal ch., Ill.  
Rev. W. C. Neely, Piper City ch., Ill.  
Rev. J. A. Hood, Maroa ch., Ill.  
Rev. J. S. Howell, Staunton ch., Ill.  
Rev. Jas. H. Spilman, Waveland ch., Ill.  
Rev. E. L. Davis, Anna and Colden chs., Ill.  
Rev. W. W. Collins, Parma ch., Mich.  
Rev. H. H. Northrop, Grand Rapids 1st ch., Mich.  
Rev. A. G. Beebe, Spring Lake ch., Mich.  
Rev. Alex. McLaughlin, Ontonagon ch., Mich.  
Rev. N. E. Pierson, Escanaba ch., Mich.  
Rev. G. F. Hunting, Kilbourn City ch., Wis.  
Rev. W. A. Hendrickson, Columbus ch., Wis.  
Rev. J. T. Killen, Rochester ch., Minn.  
Rev. Thos. Burnet, Oronoco ch., Minn.  
Rev. J. A. McGowan, Taylor's Falls and St. Croix Falls chs., Minn.  
Rev. James Cochran, Stillwater 2d ch., Minn.  
Rev. I. W. Monfort, St. Anthony ch., Minn.  
Rev. J. G. Patterson, Waverly ch., Iowa.  
Rev. W. H. Behle, Lansing and McGregor Ger. chs., Iowa.  
Rev. D. Russel, Manchester ch., Iowa.  
Rev. B. F. Powelson, Deep Water and Montrose chs., Mo.  
Rev. D. R. Todd, Netawaka ch., Kas.  
Rev. H. H. Dobbins, San Buenaventura ch., Cal.  
Rev. R. G. McCarthy, San Francisco, Olivet ch., Cal.  
Rev. M. A. Williams, Jackson Co. ch., Oregon.  
Rev. J. B. Wilson, Eugene City ch., Oregon.  
Rev. D. K. Nesbitt, Corvallis ch., Oregon.

RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN OCTOBER, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Sand Lake ch 14; Charlton ch 50, of which 35 from Ladies' Home Miss'y Soc'y \$64 00  
SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—*Pby of Atlantic*—Wilmington, 1st Colored ch 3 57  
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Westminster ch, Baltimore, a member for September 6; Frederick ch 30; Baltimore Central ch 40 15; Havre de Grace ch 50. *Pby of New Castle*—Salisbury, Wicomico ch 125. *Pby of Washington City*—Washington, Western ch 30 281 15  
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Cincinnati 3d ch Sab-sch Miss'y Soc'y 50; Rev L D Potter 5. *Pby of Dayton*—Osborn ch 7 20. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Ironton ch 120 182 20  
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Orwell ch 25; Kingsville ch 24 67; Bedford ch 2; Northfield ch 13 75; Ashtabula ch 50. *Pby of Mahoning*—Hubbard ch 8. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Farmington ch 4 70. *Pby of Steubenville*—Minerva ch 2 10; Centre ch 6 88; Cross Creek ch 28 165 10  
SYNOD OF COLORADO.—*Pby of Colorado*—Colorado City ch 5 00  
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Wooster*—Wooster ch 3, add'l. *Pby of Zanesville*—Millwood ch 6 35; Salem Ger ch 6 65; Brownsville ch 17 30 33 50  
SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Butler*—Plain Grove ch 44; Mt Nebo ch 13 50; Scrub Grass ch 50; Pleasant Valley ch 6 55. *Pby of Erie*—Greenfield ch 7; Meadville 1st ch 50; Erie 1st ch 180; Erie Central ch 50; Cool Spring ch 14; Salem ch 11. *Pby of Kittanning*—Mahoning ch 25; J M Sutton, Plainville, Pa 7; Boiling Springs ch 17 475 05  
SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Cayuga*—Auburn 2d ch Sab-sch 62 50; Genoa 1st ch, Moses Lyon and family, "a thank-offering" 135. *Pby of Chemung*—Southport ch 24 17. *Pby of Geneva*—Geneva 1st ch 53 36, of which 20 Memorial, 23 36 mon con. and D L Hunn 5; Seneca Falls ch 103 88, of which Sab-sch 62 50, and 41 38 mon con; Victor ch 81 80, of which Sab-sch 14 75. *Pby of Lyons*—Williamson ch. D D Anderson 10. *Pby of Steuben*—Campbell ch 50, add'l 520 71  
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Pine St ch, Harrisburgh 323 69, add'l; Rev O M Green 15; Landisburg ch 21; Dickinson ch 25, Me-

morial, from Mrs E W Galbraith and her daughter Emma. *Pby of Huntingdon*—One-half Presbyterian Collection 22 66; Bedford ch 68; East Freedom ch, Duncansville 14 50; Martinburgh ch 10; Shirleysburg ch, from Henry Brewster, Esq 5; Saxton ch 7 60. *Pby of Northumberland*—Lewisburg ch 133 46, of which Sab-sch 40; Jersey Shore ch, from Miss Elizabeth Clark 10; Brier Creek ch 9 73; Berwick ch 15 27. *Pby of Wellsboro'*—Wellboro' ch 30; Coudersport ch 12 50 723 41  
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Schuyler*—Mount Sterling 1st ch 160; Quincy 1st ch, from F S Giddings, Esq 100. *Pby of Springfield*—Beardstown Ger ch 2, add'l 262 00  
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Chicago 31 ch 709. *Pby of Freeport*—Warren ch 17. *Pby of Ottawa*—Streator ch 9. *Pby of Rock River*—Millersburg ch 15 741 00  
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Walnut Grove ch 25. *Pby of Cairo*—Denmark ch 2 25; Galum ch 2 75; Pinckneyville ch 1 25. *Pby of Mattoon*—Dudley ch 9; Grandview ch 9 49 25  
SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Fort Wayne*—Albion ch 4 25  
SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Indianapolis 4th ch 38. *Pby of New Albany*—Henryville ch 2 50; Madison 1st ch 168. *Pby of Vincennes*—Smyrna ch 5; Carlisle ch 6 35 219 85  
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Wheatland ch 22; Bellevue ch 5. *Pby of Dubuque*—Dyersville Ger ch 3. *Pby of Waterloo*—Aplington ch 7 50; Cedar Valley ch 10 47 50  
SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Liberty ch, in part 2 00  
SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Highland*—Blue Rapids ch 12 20; Washington 1st ch 2 50; Netawaka ch 3 75; Kennekuk ch 7 30. *Pby of Neosho*—Neodesha ch 10; Fort Gibson ch 5 49 75  
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Hopewell ch 10; Bethel ch 10; Clear Creek ch 5. *Pby of Louisville*—Elizabethtown ch 7 50; Eddyville ch 10 50; Marion ch 22 85; Cloversport ch 12 77 85  
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch, Remsen St 30 37, mon con; Throop Ave ch, Brooklyn 18 30, mon con. *Pby*



of Long Island—Amagansette ch 9 33; Moriches ch 21. *Pby of Nassau*—Hempstead ch 10 47

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SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Birmingham ch 31 50, in part; Milford ch 20. *Pby of Grand Rapids*—Big Rapids ch 25; Montague 1st ch 5; Muir ch 10. *Pby of Kalamazoo*—Richland ch 58 of which 25 memorial, from Amasa S Parker; Constantine ch 5, a balance. *Pby of Lansing*—Eckford ch 20 45. *Pby of Monroe*—Reading ch 11; Tecumseh ch 81 35. *Pby of Saginaw*—Emerson ch 6; Pine River ch 12 75

286 05

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of Mankato*—Judson ch

1 30

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—High Point ch

4 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Westfield ch 156 37; Crauford ch 24. *Pby of Jersey City*—Tenafly ch 20, add'l. *Pby of Monmouth*—Matawan ch 66 61, of which Sab-sch 11 25; Allentown ch 100; Manalapan ch 55. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—Morristown South St ch 1095 71, of which Sab-sch 400; Hanover 1st ch 63; Orange 1st ch 20; Succasunna ch, Miss'y Soc'y 35 23; Mendham 2d ch 42. *Pby of Newark*—Newark 2d ch 110 96; Park ch, Miss'y Ass'n 62 50. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Trenton 2d ch 27 16. *Pby of Newton*—Belvidere 2d ch 111; Knowlton ch 10, Envelope System 6 mos. *Pby of West Jersey*—Woodstown ch 20; Cold Spring ch 56, add'l; Cedarville 1st ch Sab-sch 34

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SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—Newburyport 2d ch 12. *Pby of Hudson*—Greenbush ch 150, Memorial; Middletown 1st ch 111 24; Hamptonburg ch 70 50; Goshen ch 115 36; Unionville ch 14. *Pby of New York*—From an aged member of University Place ch 50; Madison Square ch 750, add'l; Seventh ch 15; Mt Washington ch 140. *Pby of North River*—Malden ch 30 42; Wappingers Falls ch 13. *Pby of West Chester*—Stamford 1st ch 315 36, of which Sab-sch 15 36; White Plains ch 6 80

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SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of San Francisco*—San Francisco, Howard St ch 34. *Pby of San José*—Visalia ch 7

41 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Downington Central ch 162 50, of which 62 50 from Alex P Tutton 100, of which Sab-sch 33, Special contribution for sufferers in the Northwest; Chester City ch 8 50; Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y of Brandywine Manor ch 20. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Rev C J Collins 5; Rev H H Welles 10; Nanticoke ch 3 53; Wyalusing 1st ch 15; Herrick ch 5. *Pby of Lehigh*—Allen township ch 25; Catasauqua 2d ch 20. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Tabor ch 45 75, of which Sab-sch 20; Wharton St ch 75. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—First ch Sab-sch Cohocksink 60; Philadelphia Columbia Ave ch 8 70; North ch 118 50. *Pby of Philadelphia, North*—Norristown 1st ch 48 12. *Pby of Westminster*—Cherry Hill ch Sab-sch 6 50; Leacock ch 33

670 10

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Poke Run ch 72; Blairsville ch 116 30; Congruity ch 4 16; Salem ch 35 25; Livermore ch 56 60. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Sixth ch Pittsburgh 17; Bethany ch 102; Lawrenceville ch Sab-sch 30. *Pby of Redstone*—Greensboro ch 5; New Providence ch 30. *Pby of Washington*—Washington 1st ch 170 21; Hollidays Cove ch 27; Three Springs ch 8; Wheeling 1st ch 28 42, mon con; New Cumberland ch 51

752 94

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Holston*—Greenville ch 9; Wells ch 7

15 00

SYNOD OF UTICA.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Tomlin's 2d ch 13 46. *Pby of Syracuse*—Hannibal ch, from S W Brewster Esq 50; Jamesville ch 10; Oneida Lake ch 15 81; Ridgeville ch 7 04; Oswego 1st Ladies' H M Soc'y 100. *Pby of Utica*—Little Falls ch 20; Verona ch 35 60; Sanquoit ch 50 05; Utica Westminster ch 10, from T Nash. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Sacketts Harbor ch 27 94; Cape Vincent ch 11

350 93

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Buffalo*—Buffalo, North ch Sab-sch 75; Westfield ch 150, of

which Mrs S H Hungerford 100, Mrs L M Sherman 30, Mrs M M Cowdin 20 = 150; Fredonia ch 132 60, of which 32 05, mon con, and 50 from a friend. *Pby of Genesee*—Pavilion ch 25; Pembroke and Batavia ch 100; Attica ch 42; Corfu ch, a friend 150. *Pby of Genesee Valley*—Cuba ch 30; Portville ch 50. *Pby of Rochester*—Rev Willis C Gaylord, for Rochester Memorial ch 5; Young People's Miss'y Soc'y of Westminster ch, Rochester 50; Ossian ch 1 50, of which Mrs David H Porter 75 cts, Mrs Corydon Hyde 25 cts, Mrs Jane Lenien 25 cts, Mr Benjamin Porter 25 cts

811 10

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Chippewa*—Prescott ch 17. *Pby of Lake Superior*—Ontonagon ch 3; Superior ch 5. *Pby of Winne'ago*—Robinsonville ch 8; Oshkosh ch 12 53; Beaver Dam Assembly ch 12. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Montello ch 24; Pulaski ch 4

87 53

Total received from churches, \$11,091 78

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Mrs Deacon Hezekiah Clarke, Chester, Ohio 20; Legacy of Miss Catherine Cobb, Syracuse, N Y 300, less Government tax 18 = 282; Legacy of Phoebe Wilson, Berkshire, N Y 65

367 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Mrs Elizabeth E Taylor, Cleveland, Ohio 100; Rev T S Childs 10; Mrs M Johnston 10; Dr H C May, Corning, N Y 10; General A H Riley, Rochester, N Y 5; J E Dutton, Esq, Bainbridge, N Y 20; Rev H A Merrill and wife, Johnstown, Ohio 5; A lady in Maryland 3; Ladies' Board of Missions, New York 300

463 00

Total in October, \$11,921 78

S. D. POWEL, Treasurer,  
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## CLOTHING.

1 box from the ladies of 1st ch Elmira, N Y, valued at \$370 00  
1 box from the ladies of Ridge ch, Ohio, valued at 68 00  
1 box from the Ladies Society of Westfield ch, N J, valued at 200 00  
1 box from the Female Missionary Society of Cooperstown, N Y, valued at 100 00  
1 box from the 1st ch Harrisburgh, Pa, valued at 194 00  
1 box from the 1st ch Peekskill, N Y, valued at 218 00  
2 boxes from 1st ch Morristown, N J, valued at 700 00  
1 box from the Wappinger's Falls ch, N Y, valued at 65 00  
1 box from the Chestnut Hill ch, Pa, valued at 470 00  
1 box from the Sabbath-school of Copper Hill, N J, valued at 135 00  
1 box from the 1st ch Bay City, Mich, valued at 142 00  
2 boxes from the 1st ch Auburn, N Y, valued at 430 00  
1 box from the Stone St ch Watertown, N Y, valued at 230 00  
2 bundles from the 1st ch Matawan, N J, value not given.

\$2,322 00

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

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O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.—HABAKKUK iii.

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For we were bondsmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath extended mercy unto us—to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to repair the desolations thereof.—EZRA ix.

### THE SYNODS THIS FALL.

#### EXTRAORDINARY SPIRIT OF PRAYER.

It is the general feeling, so far as we know, that the meetings of the Synods this fall have been marked by an extraordinary devotional spirit. The stupendous events in Europe, of both a political and religious character, the terrific calamities of the Northwest, in which all the country is more or less interested, the way in which the arm of the Lord has been so wondrously revealed in all the earth during the past year, and numerous influences of a local character, seemed to consent together to breathe an unusual spirit of humble inquiry as to the Divine purpose in these things into every heart, and to execute a corresponding earnestness and importunity in the devotional exercises. There have been few meetings of such bodies ever held in which there was more deep and solemn feeling than in that of the Synod of Erie, at Franklin. The last Moderator had been called to receive his crown, as was also the case in the neighboring Synod of Western New York, held at Rochester. The venerable Dr. Donaldson, whose heart was bleeding with sore and repeated domestic afflictions, was unanimously requested, by acclamation, to take the chair. He did it with trembling, and almost with reluctance. Before he closed the sessions with the benediction, he called the brethren to witness first, that the business necessary had been transacted with the fewest possible words; second, that the Holy Spirit had seemed, in a remarkable degree, to be present with them. And he begged them all to go home with a determination to consecrate themselves afresh to Christ, to pray for a new baptism of the Spirit upon themselves and their churches, and to take up their duties to the cause of God, and to dying men, with confidence of blessed and speedy results. The addresses of other brethren, in the closing exercises of the Synod, earnestly expressed the same thoughts. There were several other Synods in which the devotional feeling rose to a remarkable height; and in all of them it appears to have been above what is ordinary.

#### THE LOINS GIRDED FOR CHURCH-WORK.

As might be expected in connection with an extraordinary spirit of prayer, the Synodical meetings of this fall were remarkable for the interest with which the members listened to the addresses of the Secretaries of the several departments of church work, and the manifest desire to apply their information and suggestions to practical use in the churches. The Stated Clerk of one Synod said, "The addresses of the Secretaries were worth their annual salaries." This cordial, appreciative, practical spirit, so different from the harshness and criticism with which men sometimes seek to veil their own indifference and failures, seemed to

animate most of those who took part in the proceedings. Our letters to the Board of Education often give utterance to it. Thus the Chairman of the Education Committee of a Presbytery in Ohio writes: "All our young men are doing well, as far as I know. May God bless them and make them a power in the Church for good. And may God bless the Board of Education and make it more and more efficient for the great work for which it was established. We had one of the best meetings of Synod (Cleveland, at Cadiz) I ever attended. It was blessed to be at it. Every brother seemed full of love."

#### THE BEST USE OF THE SYNOD IN THE PRESBYTERIAN SYSTEM.

There has been much talk among the ministry of late as to the best use to be made of the synod in the Presbyterian system. Some have said, "As it stands now, it is a sort of fifth wheel." Some have urged with much force, that "it would give greater strength, unity and efficiency to the Church to make the General Assembly consist of a more limited number of delegates, and make them to be elected by the synods." But whatsoever the opinions of brethren, it is most encouraging to see that the common aim is to make the Presbyterian Church more efficient in the great duty of giving the gospel to mankind. Upon one thing most of them agreed; that is, that a principal object of the synod should be the consideration of church-work. It has been urged by Dr. John Hall of New York, and others, that this is "the best way to utilize the synod." In accordance with this idea the Synods of New York and Philadelphia not only gave a liberal share of the time of their sessions to the consideration of the operations of the Boards of the Church, and the duties of pastors and churches to them, but they appointed popular missionary conventions also, to be held in the cities of New York and Philadelphia. The latter mentioned of these has just been held, and was attended during four sessions, in parts of two days, by crowded houses, some of the delegates and attendants having come to it from remote parts of the Synod, and even from other Synods.

The dryness and the hurry of some of our Eastern Synods has been a matter of distress to not a few in the ministry. The hold upon the public mind and heart which the Congregational class of religious bodies—the Congregationalists, the Baptists, &c.—obtain by meetings of this cast, would be gained to some extent. Some of the Western Synods have given great effect to their meetings by regularly appointing a committee upon each Board, or group of kindred Boards, and other practical subjects; requiring a carefully written report from it, which should present the statistics, facts and suggestions which related to that field; and appointing times for the discussion of these reports, as orders of the day, when the people of the vicinity and all interested could be present, and the intermingling of an occasional hymn or prayer made the hour truly impressive, instructive, and delightful. The energy and success of our denomination in some parts of the West has been owing no little to the influence of meetings of this character. Why might not the same life, enjoyment, and practical advantage be communicated to every Synod in the Church?

#### THE SWOOP OF A TERRIBLE EAGLE.

The depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge treasured in the word of God is sometimes discovered in a surprising manner. There was a text illustrated at the great fire at Chicago in a way which can never be forgotten by those who witnessed that scene. King Solomon says: "Certainly riches make to themselves wings: they fly away as an eagle toward heaven." Upon many a great fire must the king have looked from the palace on Mount Zion, unless Jerusalem

was exempted from the catastrophes which so often visit other cities of the East. And certainly no image could convey his lesson with more force. Over the city of Chicago there were spread the great black wings of a destroyer, most swift, most ravenous, most merciless, most irresistible! With what a terrible swoop it carried all the riches of thousands of that people off toward heaven! As the eye followed the dark flapping of its retreat, and saw the agony of the men and women whose all had been hopelessly torn from them in an instant, what a lesson was taught! We servants of the Church often appeal to men who sit at ease amidst their earthly possessions, all in vain. But the black wing of death will soon sweep away all they call their own. The destruction of the Great Day will burn up all that belongs to earth. Would that those who put away our appeals, to lay up what the same wise king styles "*durable riches*," by employing their money in the service of God, could but look, as the writer did, on the scenes of that dreadful Monday at Chicago.

### THE CROWNING OF THE SMITH.

An old Jewish legend designed to teach a most important truth, which is often overlooked, has been made the subject of one of his finest pictures by the painter Schussele. The design is to show that it is not the men who appear on the surface, who make the noise, who gather and enjoy the fruits of great enterprises, that truly deserve the most honor; that these are often to be found working obscurely, and giving beginnings and impulses and aid, without which the final ends could not have been reached.

The picture is entitled "Solomon's Decision" It represents the wise king standing near the completed temple. He has summoned before him the companies of artificers who have been engaged in the grand work of building it, and proposes to crown the one whose share in it was most important, and to give him a seat on a throne near his own which has been erected for that purpose.

But at this moment a stranger has pushed his way to the coveted seat, and boldly occupied it. He is the head of the workers in iron, the men who made and supplied the tools to all the other crafts. Upon the brawny smith, with his big hammer in his hand, all the others look with disdain and wrath—the high priest who has superintended the whole, the carpenter, the mason, the stone-cutter, the carver, the workers in gold and silver—all are crying to the king to cast him down.

The wise monarch calls upon him to make his plea. It is done in a few words: "You have each done your several parts, and done them well. But it is the smiths who gave the instruments for all. But for the crowbars, and axes, and chisels, and saws, and knives, and gravers, and scores of other implements of steel and iron which each craft required, this great and beautiful house could not have been built. Our work is first of all, and most necessary of all." The legend says that Solomon accorded to him the throne.

The Presbyterian Church has occupied a most honorable place in the kingdom of Christ, and done in this and other lands much to build that temple of glory whose lustre shall fill the earth. To what does she owe it more than to aught else? To the fact that she has looked first to the instruments; she has required her workmen to have the best that could be made. She has, from the days of the Reformation, and everywhere, made thorough education of her ministry imperative. She has taken care that they be men thoroughly furnished with all the knowledge that could be made applicable in their work; and first of all with the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, naked and clean, and sharpened by the logical training in the original languages, and the explication of its doctrines and precepts.

And while loud and anxious pleas are made for respect and aid, for the crown and the purse, in behalf of numerous church claims and charities, which of them all may most truly be styled "first and most necessary?" Is it those whose pillars, and altars, and carvings, and vessels, most greet and delight the eye? Is



it not rather those which have furnished the workers in the quarry, and the forest, and the shop, with the instruments which they must have, or the house would not be built? Is it not those which take the young man and support and equip him till he is prepared to go forth and make himself famous by lifting up his axe among the thick trees?

We would found upon the legend of Solomon's Decision, and upon the plain, common-sense, practical truth which the Jews have designed to convey by it, a request—it is, that amidst the cries in behalf of so many deserving religious and charitable objects, our Christian readers would bear in mind that the Board of Education must have the means to educate and sustain the young men who are to be the workmen in many branches of labor upon the temple; and that it is in urgent need of such means now. Solomon's decision was a wise one. If the instruments and the instruction fail, the work stops. In many places it has stopped, because the supply of able and skilful men, furnished for its performance, has failed.

### STATE OF OUR FUNDS.

From the 1st of November through the winter and spring, the Board of Education will need thirty thousand dollars every two months, until the four regular quarter payments to students are made. It has on hand, to begin them, a balance of five thousand dollars from the payments which closed the last collegiate year, since the Assembly. It needs *twenty thousand dollars for immediate claims* upon it, and five thousand more, as the remainder of the November reports from professors come in. It is hoped that all the churches which do not make their collections for the Board in the spring will try to send us *liberal contributions* at as early a day as convenient.

### RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN OCTOBER, 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.— <i>Pby of Albany</i> —First ch Albany 73 50. <i>Pby of Troy</i> —Cohoes ch 34 \$107 50	ch 10 25. <i>Pby of West Chester</i> —White Plains ch 8 70	25 95
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.— <i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Light St (South) ch. Baltimore 25 00	SYNOD OF PACIFIC.— <i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Healdsburg ch 8 25	8 25
SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.— <i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —South Salem ch 8. <i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Central ch 127; Wyoming ch 32. <i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Piqua ch 25	SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.— <i>Pby of Chester</i> —Charleston ch 5. <i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Scranton 1st ch 153. <i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Allen township ch 20; Hokendauqua ch 26. <i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Clinton St ch 41 30	245 30
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.— <i>Pby of Cleveland</i> —Euclid St ch 92 81. <i>Pby of Mahoning</i> —Vienna ch 6 75	SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.— <i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Union ch 20 85; Fairfield ch 19 25	40 10
SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.— <i>Pby of Columbus</i> —First ch Circleville 15 31. <i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Savannah ch 7. <i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Coshocton ch 25; Pleasant Hill ch 5	SYNOD OF TOLEDO.— <i>Pby of Huron</i> —Peru ch 6 50; Olena ch 13	19 50
SYNOD OF ERIE.— <i>Pby of Butler</i> —Martinsburg ch 5. <i>Pby of Erie</i> —Westminster ch, Erie 10. <i>Pby of Sheango</i> —Hopewell ch 6 75	SYNOD OF UTICA.— <i>Pby of Utica</i> —Utica 1st ch 47 50; Oneida ch 30 16	77 66
SYNOD OF GENEVA.— <i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Second ch Elmira 30 00	SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.— <i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Marquette ch 40. <i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Pulaski ch 4	44 00
SYNOD OF GENESEE.— <i>Pby of Rochester</i> —First ch, Mt Morris 31 98		\$1,715 43
SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.— <i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Landisburg ch 4 00	REFUNDED.	
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Morrison ch 30; Rock Island ch 17	C T P 33 33; J W L 22 60; A W 112 50	168 43
SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.— <i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Mt Vernon ch 1 90	MISCELLANEOUS.	
SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.— <i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —First Ger ch, Dubuque 10. <i>Pby of Watertown</i> —Marietta ch 3 60	Rev J C Collins, Wilkesbarre, Pa 10; J N Weir Esq, Harrisburgh, Pa 150; From a little boy's and girl's missionary box 1; Mr M Snow, N Y, 25; Oliphant ch (Welsh Cal Methodist) 2; C K Stribling, U S N, Cantonville, Md 100; Mr J M Sutton, Plumville, Pa 4 35	292 35
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.— <i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Burlington ch 15 00	Total amount acknowledged,	\$2,176 21
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.— <i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —Second ch, Brooklyn 118 17; Lafayette Ave ch 292 25; Third St ch. Williamsburgh 33 30. <i>Pby of Nassau</i> —Smithtown ch 10 50	WILLIAM MAIN, Treasurer.	
SYNOD OF MISSOURI.— <i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —First ch, Memphis 3. <i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Mission and East Ger ch 20		
SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.— <i>Pby of Morris and Orange</i> —Mendham 1st ch 37 55; Parsippany ch 27 30; Dover ch 66. <i>Pby of Newton</i> —Lafayette ch 5		
SYNOD OF NEW YORK.— <i>Pby of Boston</i> —Windham ch 7. <i>Pby of North River</i> —Wappinger's Falls		

The credit given to Warren ch, Lackawanna Presby, in August last, for 4 75, should have been to the Circleville ch, Hudson Presby.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, No. 907 ARCH ST., PHILADELPHIA.

Letters, reports, &c., relating to candidates and the general affairs of the Board, are to be addressed there to WILLIAM SPEER, D.D.; remittances of money to WILLIAM MAIN, Esq., at the same place.

## BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

## RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

**MISSIONARIES SENT OUT.**—The Rev. Frank A. Wood and his wife, and the Rev. Oscar J. Hardin sailed from New York, October 25th, for the Syria Mission. Mr. Wood is a member of the Presbytery of Westchester; Mr. Hardin of the Presbytery of Newton. Both are graduates of the Union Theological Seminary, New York. Miss Salome Verbeck, a member of Oakwood Avenue Church, Troy, N. Y., and Miss Harriet N. Phillips, a member of Spring Garden Church, Philadelphia, have been appointed to the Lake Superior Chippewa Mission. Miss Verbeck's arrival at the station, Odanah, is reported; and Miss Phillips has probably arrived by this time.

**MISSIONARIES RECEIVED.**—The Rev. Thomas S. Williamson, M. D., and the Rev. John P. Williamson, long connected with the mission of the American Board among the Dakota Indians, have been received as missionaries of this Board. They will continue as heretofore in their labors for the benefit of these Indians; in these labors Dr. Williamson has spent many years of his life.

**NEW COMMUNICANTS.**—Mr. Calhoun mentions the admission to the church of Abeih, Syria, of six converts in July, and three in September; and of five to the church of Bhamdun, in October, adding, "that some of these cases are greatly interesting." Mr. Dodd speaks of the admission to the church of Hangehow, China, of two converts in August, both of whom were scholars in the mission school. Mr. Blackford reports the admission of two new communicants to the church of Lorena, Brazil, in August; and of four to the church of Rio de Janeiro, also in August. Mr. Noyes sends us the following news from Canton, which we quote here, not only as giving cases of hopeful conversion, but especially as showing how long the good seed of the word sometimes appears to be dead, though still living. He says, "There may be a good deal of fruit that does not appear in the list of members added to the church. . . . During the past year there have been four persons of whom I have, I think, as much hope that their names are written in the Lamb's book of life, as of most of those who are church members. Two of these have ended their earthly course; one is more than a hundred miles away, and it is quite possible that we shall never see her until we see her, as I hope, in the mansions of heaven; and the fourth will probably join our church at the next communion. She heard the gospel more than ten years ago in the hospital, and during all these years that have passed since, she has been reading her now well-worn New Testament; now she appears amongst us again, well informed in the gospel of Christ, and asking to be baptized. There is still another applicant for baptism, who heard the gospel in the hospital six years ago." Mr. Noyes is referring to all these cases to show the spiritual fruits of missionary labor in the hospital at Canton.

At BOGOTA some newspaper discussion was caused by the appointment of Mr. Wallace as a visitor of a public school district by the Government authorities on Education. This appointment was denounced by a bigoted Romanist paper of limited influence, and warmly defended and advocated by most of the other papers of the city. Mr. Wallace offered his declination of the appointment, but the authorities refused to accept it. The result of the discussion was, no doubt, damaging to the cause of the Pope.

IN BRAZIL the brethren make urgent representations of the need of more men, and also of larger funds to secure needed buildings. The general aspect of their work is encouraging.

IN SYRIA, persecution increases at Keferfoo and Kisba. "In the former," Dr. Jessup writes, "The Protestants have all been obliged by the Governor to recant, and the teacher is driven out. In the latter, the teacher was beaten, the books torn to shreds, and the bell stolen. Pray for the persecuted in Syria. There are dark shadows in the gorges and ravines of Lebanon, even after sunrise." Dr. Jessup mentions that Hassan, the convert from Mohammedanism, whose interesting history was referred to in the *Record* of September, had received his passport from the Turkish authorities after long delay, and had gone down to Egypt. He was still faithful to his profession. His being allowed to go in peace, instead of being put to death, is proof of great progress in Syria. The Rev. J. S. Dennis, of the station at Sidon, and Mrs. Samuel Jessup, of the station of Tripoli, have arrived in this country, on a visit—the latter for her health, which we are glad to learn has received benefit from the voyage. A teacher is wanted at Abeih—see the letter of Messrs. Calhoun and Bird on page 389, which we hope will meet with earnest consideration.

IN PERSIA, Mr. Coan reports many encouraging things, particularly in connection with the work of native missionary laborers. Many of the Nestorians had gone for a time to Georgia, now under the Russian government, in search of employment; and they had been followed by one of the native evangelists. Mr. Coan confirms the distressing accounts of the famine, chiefly in the central and eastern parts of Persia. Mr. Cochran had met his family and the new missionaries at Constantinople, and on the 28th of September they had reached Erzerum, on their return to Oromiah,—all well.

AT TUNGCHOW, China, Dr. Nevius gives a good account of the Theological Class. It consisted of ten men, besides seven or eight who study the Scriptures. The regular members of the class spend about half their time in study, and the other in evangelization. Of their studies Dr. Nevius says, "Every morning they spend an hour in connection with morning prayers in the careful study of the Acts of the Apostles, after which Mrs. Nevius spends half an hour in teaching them vocal music. On alternate days they study Romans and Theology. They have a weekly exercise in preparing plans of sermons, and in writing sermons." The new church at Tungchow had been dedicated with interesting services.

CHINA "REMARKABLY QUIET."—Dr. Nevius writes, "The country is remarkably quiet, and I presume that no practical result will flow from the effort of the Chinese government to obstruct missionary work, except the affording to foreign nations tangible evidence of the real spirit of the Chinese government."

IN JAPAN, Dr. Hepburn writes of the urgent need of more missionaries being sent out soon, to reinforce our mission. He also reports a great change in the interior political matters of the country. The Daimios, or feudal chiefs, have been displaced, and all their power transferred to the Mikado, or Emperor. This is a revolution which will deprive thousands of influential persons, the retainers and dependents of the chiefs, not only of their rank, but of their employment, reducing many families from comfort to want. It is wonderful that such a change could be made without bloodshed. Its bearing on the introduction of the gospel among the Japanese is yet to be seen.

RECEIPTS, MAY 1ST TO NOVEMBER 1ST.—From churches \$66,203; from legacies, \$5,636; from individual donors, \$27,936—in all, \$99,827. Receipts in the same



months last year. \$75,081—of which, from churches, \$37,814. The \$75,081 of last year *included*, for paying the debt, the special gifts of \$36,500.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO NOVEMBER 14th.—From Lake Superior, Chippewa Mission, October 17th; Creek, October 6th; Navajoe, October 25th; San Francisco, October 9th; Japan, September 12th; Peking, August 30th; Tungechow, August 30th; Hangchow, September 5th; Ningpo, September 8th; Shanghai, September 11th; Canton, September 11th; Ambala, September 1st; Ooromiah, August 15th; Erzerum, September 28th; Abeih, October 11th; Monrovia, September 22d; Rio de Janeiro, September 23d; Sao Paulo, September 19th; Bogota, September 18th.

#### AFTER-SYNOD REMARKS.

It is usual for the Secretaries of the Boards to visit as many of the Synods as they can, in the interest of their respective objects. They hope to give information concerning these objects, which may be of use to the churches; and also to confer with the brethren about matters of moment to the cause of Christ in connection with the work of these Committees. These visits may be of much benefit to these agents themselves, enabling them better to understand the state of things in the churches, and the public opinion of ministers, elders and other influential persons, men and women, concerning the evangelistic work of the Church. In general, we believe these visits are welcomed by the brethren; and they afford precious opportunities of enjoying brotherly fellowship in the service of Christ. Having lately returned from visits to three of the Synods, we propose to refer briefly to some things therein or therewith presented.

1. *The number of "salaried officers" of the Boards.* In one of these Synods this subject was a matter of some discussion, growing out of a request by one of the Boards for the opinion of the Synod as to the appointment of an additional secretary. The opinion given was decidedly in the negative. The discussion, which was short, almost unavoidably included the plans of other Boards as to executive agency. We have no remark to make in this place as to plans affecting the Home Boards. As to the Foreign Board, the opportunity was given of stating that the two Secretaries, who are longest in office, had their hands full of work as the missions stood before re-union; that with the transfer of several missions to the Board, much new work was created, calling for the services of another secretary—this work, as in the case of all the missions, not being routine, so much as relating to subjects; that, on the method of conducting the work heretofore pursued, which requires each Secretary to be *particularly* acquainted with *everything* that concerns the interests of the missions with which he is in correspondence respectively, three men are not too many for the work now to be done; that the question of this method, however, whether it shall be general or particular, is too large for discussion now, but it was well considered by the Reconstruction Committee on Foreign Missions, and also by the Board as now constituted, both of which bodies decided to adhere to the method long in use by the old Board; and yet that this question may well be regarded as an open one, and its decision be subject to change, as the wisdom of the Church may ordain, no objection whatever being made to its reference to the General Assembly.

2. *As to executive expenses.* We learned at two of the Synods, that complaints are made of the cost of administration by the Boards; as an instance, one respected minister stated in a conversation, that one of the most liberal donors in his church feared that but a small part of his donation reached the heathen. This was heard with regret and surprise; with surprise, because the Foreign Board publishes

still, as it always has done, the executive expenses, item by item, including the salary of each executive officer.—See Treasurer's Statement in the Annual Report. Not including expenses for printing, inasmuch as the publications of the Board repay to donors all their cost, the expense of administration is about four per cent., or a little less. When the amount of the work to be done and its greatly varied character in so many different countries are considered, this per centage is remarkably low. We believe it is less than that of any other Foreign Board in the country. The salaries are less than those paid to many of the brethren, whose ministerial work in the same city is certainly not more important than that performed in the Mission House. And these executive expenses have received the full approval of gentlemen who are working members of the Board, who are second to no others in the city for successful business experience, and who are themselves liberal donors to the treasury of the Board—three of them being the three largest contributors to this cause in the whole Church; relatively, others may give as much, and many a poor widow may give even more, so that we all feel it to be a sacred duty to keep these expenses as low as is consistent with a wise economy.

3. We gladly pass from these points, practical though they are, and from others of moment, to *the great work itself*. Two of the visits were to meetings in the territory of the old Synod of Pittsburgh. It was in this Synod that the movement for church-work in foreign missions was commenced in 1831. The first missionaries to Africa were sent out by the Society then formed in 1832; the first to India, in 1833; the first to the Indians, in 1833, though missionaries had been sent to the Indians by the same Synod many years before. The Society then organized and its missions were afterwards transferred to the Board of the General Assembly. This movement rested on broad principles:—1. That no one society could take the oversight of all the Foreign Missionary work which the churches of this country ought to perform. 2. That such work properly belongs to the Church, not to societies. 3. That the members of the Presbyterian body can best be enlisted in aid of this work through their own church organization. Has not the experience of forty years abundantly sustained these views? Yet it was then a day of small things. For two or three years not many even of the old school churches outside of the bounds of the Synod took part in this movement, though some of them nobly sustained it. Indeed, to a large extent the people were not then prepared to engage in the work of foreign missions at all. The recent visits to two of the Synods in Western Pennsylvania reminded the writer of these lines of many sermons preached in the favored churches of that region in 1832, when, though speaking to the excellent of the earth, it was yet deemed expedient to spend much time in answering objections; now, this would surely be needless. And now the whole Church is engaged in the support of this Board, and the Board itself has more ordained missionaries, sent out from this country, than any other Board in the land—standing in this important respect the foremost. Well may we say, "What hath God wrought!" Well may we rejoice to think of the many hundreds of Christian men and women that this Board has sent to the foreign field! Well may we rejoice over the great work already accomplished by these missions, over their native missionary laborers, over the Christian lives of thousands of converts, and the translation of many of them to a better world, some even by martyrdom! Well may we rejoice, and yet with trembling, as we look at the vast work which God is giving us to do as a Church—among the Indians, the Chinese, and the Spanish and Portuguese Americans of our own continent; in Africa; in Western, Central, and Eastern Asia; in Japan; and in

aid of our Protestant brethren in the Roman Catholic countries of Europe—surely God is calling us by these great missions to do a great work for the world, and for our blessed Lord! May we have grace from on high, equal to our work, and to our day!

Other thoughts arise, as we think of these pleasant visits to three of the old Synods, but this article is already too long. Yet we may add the monitory impression made by seeing so few of the old friends of 1831–33 now left. Many venerable names crowd to one's recollection, who are not now among the members of these church courts. Their work here was done, and well done. They have entered into rest. May their younger brethren, living in times so full of interest, meet with even greater encouragement in their labors of love for Christ and his cause!

### GOOD FRUITS OF THE NEW INDIAN POLICY.

Our readers will read with interest the following extract from a letter of one of the Indian Agents in New Mexico. The writer and also the other Agent referred to, were appointed on the nomination of the Board. As earnest religious men they, and also the other gentlemen appointed in the same way, are anxious to do what is right, kind, and every way best, both for the Indians and for such white people as may live near them. They are also anxious to be aided by missionary laborers, such as teachers and others, as soon as practicable; and it is important that the attention of our Christian people should be directed to the work to be done for the instruction and evangelization of the Indians. It is thus they are to be saved from destruction, civilized, and prepared to become good citizens. There are undoubtedly great difficulties in the way, but there is now a better prospect than ever before of a great change for good in the condition of the Indians; a change for good both as to this life and the life which is to come. We trust the prayers of our readers will have an earnest reference to this object.

This extract is taken from a letter of Mr. A. J. Curtis, of the Mescalero Apache Agency, New Mexico, dated at Fort Stanton, October 4th.

I have in my annual report urged the importance of establishing a labor system school. From all the information I can get, this system is most successful, and Cadilla, my chief, has expressed a

strong desire to have a school of this kind for his children to attend. He says the men are too old to learn to read now, but it is good for the children to learn. About one month ago I sent out a small party of Indians to the Comanche country to bring in those of the tribe remaining there, and within ten days one hundred have come in, and more are on the way.

I started two weeks ago to-day to go and see Agent Piper at Canada Alamoza. I have the pleasure to inform you that while there, the great warrior, Cochise, came in and made peace. I had the honor to be one of the council. He came in of his own accord; had a large number of warriors all well armed. He was very suspicious, and used every precaution lest he should be captured or again betrayed; was constantly surrounded by his body guard while in the office; at the reception and at the dinner afterward, while eating, his guard stood behind him with their rifles in hand. At the reception he said he had for a long time been in the sun, and had become much heated and worn; but he had come to this valley, drank of its waters and bathed in them, and felt refreshed and contented, and wanted to make a good peace, a long peace. After a little conversation, the pipe of peace was smoked, and Cochise and his sub-chiefs were invited to dine with Mr. Piper. At the table he asked me when I was going to return. I told him in the morning; he said "he would be glad to have me stay to the council, and then go and tell his brothers what he had said;" and he then of his own accord made the appointment for the council, and said, "the sun, the moon, the air and birds and beasts, and children unborn would rejoice at his words." He seems very sincere; is a fine-looking man, dignified and intelligent. Agent Piper acquitted himself finely; it was a



delicate task to conduct the council, and have all satisfactory, and gain his confidence. He said he believed Mr. Piper was sincere, and was satisfied that all was right, and that they would have a good peace. This is a great triumph of the new policy of the President; "the peace policy" has accomplished what a vigorous war has failed to do. There is a great difference between a military agent and a peace agent. Cochise said he had come in, because God had told him in his thoughts to do so. I believe a Christian agent who does his duty will have an influence and power for good which has rarely been brought to bear upon these savages, and which will accomplish much towards their civilization, and preparing them to receive the gospel of peace. I have been able to gain the confidence of my people by attentions to the sick; they call my medicine good medicine, and readily take what I give. I have not as yet lost a single case, and sometimes I have as many as ten under treatment at a time. As soon as my people all get in, and things get organized and systematized, I can devote some time in school.

#### NEWS FROM THE GABOON AND CORISCO MISSION.

The Rev. A. Bushnell writes as follows from Gaboon, West Africa, August 26th. Many of our readers will feel a special interest in what he says of the little cutter—the *Elfe*. The call for more laborers, we trust, will reach the hearts of some who can go to the help of the brethren.

Since my last note, per steamship Angola, we have all been favored with comfortable health, and have been pursuing our work with special interest and encouragement. Mr. Gillespie went round to Eloby on the *Elfe*, and returned quite satisfied. I then had her cabin repainted and fitted with curtains, &c., and as soon as she was ready sailed for Benita, to see our brethren and sisters there, from whom we had not heard for many weeks, and to convey to them mails, and provisions, &c., just arrived from England. Mr. and Mrs. Kops having arrived, and desiring to see that station before deciding to locate there, accompanied me. The distance is about ninety miles from Baraka. We had a pleasant run down, and found our friends as well as we expected to, though

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy had been somewhat indisposed. . . .

After remaining three days, we sailed on our return, Monday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy accompanying us, and reached home Wednesday evening. The passage down, with fair wind and current, is only about twelve hours, but it requires from fifty to sixty hours to return. The *Elfe* behaved well, and won golden opinions from all. She is as *safe, fleet, and comfortable*, as any vessel of her size could well be, and we shall still improve her. The expense of keeping her in order and of sailing her will be considerable, but if you will reinforce us so that we can keep her in motion, carrying the gospel to the benighted Ethiopian tribes who reside on or near the coast, and numerous bays and rivers between the Niger and the Congo, it will be a good expenditure.

Shall she remain at anchor because there is no herald of the gospel to use her? Young men of the Church—consecrated servants of Jesus—soldiers of the cross, shall it be so? "Ethiopia is stretching out her hands to God," the heathen are waiting to welcome you, and through the beneficence of the dear Sabbath-school children in America, we have the best of facilities to reach them. But with only *four* missionaries, and three of them yet unacquainted with the languages, what can we do in this extended field of two large missions united in one? Nothing more than just hold on—wait, and "pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into his harvest." The burden and responsibilities are crushing to me; and my dear companion, who returned almost at the sacrifice of her life, is already faint, yet pursuing.

Mr. Gillespie, accompanied by Mr. Thompson from Glasgow, left yesterday for Nengenenge, in the interior, in our smaller or river boat, and next month we shall send the *Elfe* for them. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy will return to Benita when the Samson arrives, and Mr. and Mrs. Kops will join them there, when Dr. Nassau leaves for America. Of my impressions of the Benita field I will write at another time. The religious interest here still continues, and more than twenty inquirers, mostly members of the schools, have their faces set Zionward. Pray for us.

P. S.—All of our mails will hereafter leave Liverpool on the steamer of the 12th of each month, and should leave New York on the 25th.

## TEACHER WANTED AT ABEIH, SYRIA.

ABEIH, September 11, 1871.

At the late meeting of our mission, the members of this station were directed to write to the Board, and ask that a young man be sent out to take charge of the Mission Seminary at Abeih.

The seminary has long been under the care of one of the members of the station, and he has found the work one of deep interest to himself personally, and not unfruitful in results, as may be seen by a reference to a report on the seminary, forwarded to you in April last. For several years past, in consequence of an increase of other duties, he has been able to find comparatively little time for teaching, and has confined himself mostly to the department of religious instruction, still, however, retaining a general oversight of the pupils. At the present time, still other duties are pressing upon him in the form of preparing notes to a Harmony of the Gospels, which will probably soon be ready for the press; and this, if life is spared, is to be followed by Commentaries on some of the Books of the Bible. The other member of the station is equally unable to take charge of the seminary, as he is necessarily absent from the station a considerable portion of his time on missionary tours.

The demand for teachers of common schools, and for helpers in places where we cannot well put persons of high qualifications is very urgent, not only in various parts of Lebanon, but in the southern and northern portions of our field, whose centres are Sidon and Tripoli. We are greatly pressed, and the mission sees not how the want is to be supplied, except by securing such promising youth as we can find, and giving them the advantages of a sufficiently extended course to prepare them to become efficient teachers and helpers.

Mr. Dennis, who is now on his way to the United States, will be able to give you further information. It is, of course, very desirable that the person who comes be apt to teach and to govern. He may be married or unmarried, ordained or not, but he should have his heart in the work, and consecrate himself to it. That the results will be such as will give him comfort in the review, bearing, as they will, largely on the increase of Divine and human knowledge in the land, he need not doubt. Becoming acquainted at the same time with the Arabic, he will, in due time, be prepared himself to preach in it the gospel.

Earnestly commending this matter to your best consideration, and trusting that you will be able to meet our wishes, and still more, our imperative wants, we are, in the best bonds, yours in behalf of the mission.

W. BIRD,  
S. H. CALHOUN.

## DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN OCTOBER 1871.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—First ch Albany 409 50; Schenectady ch 809 57, Sab-sch, for ed in China 116 = 925 57. *Pby of Troy*—Ninth ch Troy, Bible-class, to ed young man in Persia 20 38; Waterford ch and Sab-sch 145 29

\$1,500 74

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Havre de Grace ch 40; Central ch, Baltimore 36 50; Ellicott City Sab-sch 25. *Pby of New Castle*—Wicomico ch, a friend 25; Red Clay Creek Sab-sch 15 50. *Pby of Washington City*—Western ch, Washington 30; 1st ch Alexandria 174 00

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—College Hill ch, Memorial, Jno R Davey 100, Rev Robt Crossett 10, Mrs H M Cist 20, for Tungchow ch = 130. *Pby of Dayton*—Camden ch 6 75; Eaton ch 6 25; Osborn ch 7 18; College Corner Sab-sch 7 157 18

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Northfield ch 7 35; Bedford ch 2. *Pby of Mahoning*—Pleasant Valley ch 10. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Crab Apple Sab-sch 30 49 35

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Athens*—Pomeroy Sab-sch 12 12. *Pby of Marion*—First ch Sab-sch Marysville, for boys' sch Tungchow 9. *Pby of Wooster*—Congress Sab-sch 5; W Salem Sab-sch 2 06; E Hopewell ch 103, Sab-sch, for boys' sch at Ping Te, China 24 = 127; Nashville ch 51, Sab-sch 26 for boys' sch Ping Te, China 77; Wooster ch 134 366 18

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Providence Sab-sch 25; Bakerstown Sab-sch, for Gaboon

Yacht 10; Sharpsburg Sab-sch, to ed a little girl in China 30; Slippery Rock Sab-sch 25. *Pby of Butler*—Leesburgh ch 12. *Pby of Clarion*—Rockland ch 2 30. *Pby of Erie*—Cambridge ch Sab-sch 4; 1st ch Meadville 50. *Pby of Kittanning*—Washington ch Sab-sch 2 60 160 90

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Canoga*—Aurora ch 29 25, to con Mrs Esther R Mallory *Life Director* 100 = 129 25; 2d ch Auburn, to con Henry G Starin, Mrs Cath V Huntington, and Rev S W Boardman *Life Directors* 205. *Pby of Chemung*—Horse Heads ch 49; 1st ch Elmira, Mrs Sarah Sayer 10; Hector ch 7. *Pby of Geneva*—First ch Geneva 148 71; 1st ch Ithaca 33 68. *Pby of Lyons*—First ch Lyons, Ladies' Missy Soc'y 41 25 623 89

SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Landisburgh ch 21 50; Dickinson ch, Mrs E W Galbraith and daughter Emma 25; Rocky Spring ch 20. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Shirleysburg ch, Henry Brewster 5; Presby collection 22 67. *Pby of Northumberland*—Gt Island Sab-sch 7 49, Infant class 1 22 = 8 71. *Pby of Wellsboro*—Wellsboro ch 28 130 88

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—*Pby of Peoria*—Lewistown Sab-sch 50. *Pby of Springfield*—Petersburg Sab-sch, to ed boy and girl in Lodiana 60 110 00

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Chicago*—Manteno ch, Busy Bee Soc'y 8 32. *Pby of Ottawa*—Streator ch, Mrs K B High 9 14; Brookfield ch 10. *Pby of Rock River*—Milan ch 12 39 46



SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Salem Ger ch 20. *Pby of Cairo*—First ch Carbondale 25 00

SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—*Pby of Fort Wayne*—Fort Wayne ch. to con Rev Thos H Skinner, D.D. *Life Member* 83 40. *Pby of Logansport*—Valparaiso Sab-sch, to sup child Beirut Seminary 22 68. *Pby of Muncie*—Wabash ch 65 20. Bequest of L Sheppard Thomas, dec'd 25 = 90 20

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of New Albany*—New Philadelphia ch 4 62; Rehoboth Sab-sch 2; Pleasant Township Sab-sch 2 10. *Pby of Vincennes*—Second ch Terre Haute 20 28 72

SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Marion Sab-sch, to ed boy in Persia 14: First ch Cedar Rapids 10; Bellevue ch 5. *Pby of Dubuque*—Dyersville ch 2 40. *Pby of Waterloo*—Grundy Centre ch 1 32 40

SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Iowa*—Summit Sab-sch 12 25. *Pby of Iowa City*—Wilton and Sugar Creek chs 14 50 26 75

SYNOD OF KANSAS.—*Pby of Topeka*—Vineland ch 5 00

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Louisville*—Second ch Bowling Green 1 10

SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Ger ch Williamsburgh, for Corisco 10; 2d ch Brooklyn 39 25; 1st ch (Dr Seaver's) 100; South Third St ch, Williamsburgh 68 81; 1st ch Edgewater, S 17 60; South ch Brooklyn 213 65, Walter M Aikman 500 = 713 65; 1st ch Remsen St 30 38. *Pby of Long Island*—Amagansett ch 9 33. *Pby of Nassau*—Smithtown ch 13 20. Sab-sch 5 50 = 18 70; 1st ch Jamaica 80 44; Astoria ch 25 74

1,103 90

SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—*Pby of Detroit*—Oakland ch 4; Upsilanti ch 118 70. *Pby of Lansing*—Mason ch, for Gaboon 96 84 219 54

SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—*Pby of St Paul*—Westminster Sab-sch, Minneapolis, for Tripoli 33 49

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Osage*—Greenwood ch 5. *Pby of St Louis*—Bay Sab-sch 15; High st ch, St Louis 10 25 30 25

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Elizabeth*—Elizabethport Sab-sch 11; 1st ch Plainfield 53 95. *Pby of Monmouth*—First ch Cranbury 127 30; Matawan ch 72 48, Sab-sch 11 25. Spring Valley Sab-sch, for Canton sch 8 = 91 73. *Pby of Morris and Orange*—First ch Mendham 121 69; South st ch, Morristown 2; Succasunna ch, Missy's Soc'y 35 23; 1st ch Orange 309; Central ch, Orange 150. *Pby of Newark*—Third ch Newark 25 73; Wickliffe ch 11 64; Roseville ch. to con Mrs W F Van Wageningen *Life Director*, and Miss Isabella Johnson *Life Member* 559 53; 1st ch Montclair 318 80. *Pby of New Brunswick*—First ch New Brunswick 35 79. *Pby of Newton*—Second ch Belvidere 140 06; Knowlton ch 11, Sab-sch 7 = 18. *Pby of New Jersey*—First ch Sab-sch Cedarville 106 70 2,108 55

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Boston*—First ch Newburyport, to con Jas B Creasey *Life Director* 100. *Pby of Hudson*—White Lake ch, Bethel, Sab-sch 5; Monroe Sab-sch, to sup child at Dehra 35; Port Jarvis ch 25, Sab-sch, to sup girl at Dehra 25 = 50; Central ch Sab-sch, Haverstraw, for Mrs Newton 28 50 to sup child at Dehra 8 50 = 37. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch Chapel 8 41; Mt Washington ch 309; 7th ch 24; 1st ch 117 69, Sab-sch 29 56, Miss sch 38 85, for Girls' Boarding Sch, Shanghai 186 10; Fourth ave ch 34 33; Fifth ave and Nineteenth st ch, Dr Agnew 100; Brick ch 1 00; Fourteenth st ch 65. *Pby of North River*—Freedom Plains ch Sab-sch for Sidon 20; Cromwell ch 38; Calvary ch, Newburg 29 47. *Pby of Westchester*—Portchester ch 30; 1st ch Peekskill 29 29; Sing Sing ch 309; White Plains ch 8 60; 1st ch Greenburgh 341 17

2,741 36

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Albany and Pleasant Grove chs 22 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Chester*—Penningtonville ch 3. *Pby of Lackawanna*—Wilkesbarre Sab-sch 300, Empire Mission sch 12 = 312; Wyalusing ch 15; Herrick ch 5; Montrose ch 17 25. *Pby of Lehigh*—Eckley Sab-sch 2; Allen Township ch 25; 1st ch Sab-sch Mahanoy City 30 76. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—North

ch 118 51; Kensington Sab-sch 56 19; 1st ch Sab-sch Cohocksink 60 26; West Arch st ch, Mrs Jas Pollock, to sup boy at Tungehow sch 45. *Pby of Philadelphia North*—First ch Norristown Mission Band, for sup Miss Margt A Craig 56 60. *Pby of Westminster*—Chestnut Level ch 46 78; York ch 570 84; New Harmony ch 5 1,369 19

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Congrinity ch 4 32. *Pby of Pittsburgh*—Bethel ch 83 25; 3d ch Sab-sch Pittsburgh, to sup Deacon Toma, Persia 50. *Pby of Redstone*—McClellandtown Sab-sch 3. *Pby of Washington*—First ch Washington 171 78; Claysville Sab-sch 5 85; Wellsburgh ch 28 50; 1st ch Wheeling 29, Woman's Miss Soc'y for Miss Sarah Morrison 200 = 229; West Liberty Sab-sch 20 04; Fairview ch 6; Cross Creek ch 76 19 677 93

SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—*Pby of Holston*—Jonesboro ch, Juv Miss Soc'y, to sup Miriam in Bootan 7 70; Greenville and Tusculum College Sab-sch 5 12 70

SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—*Pby of Bellefontaine*—First ch West Liberty 10 18

SYNOD OF UTAH.—*Pby of Binghamton*—Nineveh ch, Scla Decker 1. *Pby of St Lawrence*—Rossie ch 8 26; Hammond ch 7 50. *Pby of Syracuse*—Park ch, Syracuse, for native teacher 120. to ed Chinese girl 60 = 180; 1st ch Oswego 14 30; Fayetteville ch 92, Sab-sch, to sup child 15 = 107. *Pby of Utica*—Sauquoit ch 26 25; 1st ch Utica 114 88; N Y Mills ch 173, Sab-sch 10 = 183 642 19

SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—*Pby of Rochester*—Central ch, Rochester 52 60; Central ch, Genesee 29 60 82 20

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Wisconsin River*—Highland ch 5; Madison ch 26; 1st ch Sab-sch Portage City 11 10 42 10

Total receipts from churches, \$12,723 41

WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, Albany 889 20

MISCELLANEOUS.—Union Theol Sem'y Soc'y of Inq 15 20; J W Sherrard, Mich 16; M Abbott, St Louis 5; Richard Blydenburgh 50; Rev C J Collins, Wilkesbarre 20; Elizabeth E Taylor, Cleveland 100; A mite, from a friend 2; Miss Annie Morrison, N Y 20; Mrs E H Mitchell 20; Seven grandchildren, for Mrs Alexander 7; A friend, for Mexico 15; Hattie 1; Johnnie 50 cts; Jas Russell, North Jackson, Ohio 100; E S Howell 4; A friend in Ky, for Lahore School 100; M E Brown, Valparaiso, Ind 10; Jesse Shepherd, Esq, Rochester 5; Rev O M Green 10; Henry J Peck, Seneca Castle, N Y 5; E H Loutrel, Monongahela City 1; Com C K Stribling 100; Mrs Hannah G Halsey, Hammonont, N J 4; Sam'l Uter, dec'd, Paris, Ill 50; Eliesdie Sab-sch, N Y 15; Little boy and girl's Miss Box 1; J M Sutton, Plumville, Pa 10 686 70

Total Receipts in October, 1871, \$14,299 31

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1871, \$99,827 06

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—*For Gaboon Yacht*—Watersville Sab-sch, N Y 20; Astoria Sab-sch, L I, also a flag 30; Rev T S Childs 10; Central ch Sab-sch, Buffalo 15 20; Greenfield Academy, Ill 1 76 20

Mrs Charlotte Draper, Baltimore, for Corisco Mission Buildings 2,000 00

Mrs J M Bennett, Clairmont, N H, for Madame Merle D'Aubigne 17 00

Geo W Schmucker, Lancaster, for Persia sufferers 5 00

T W 2; W C B 1, for Persia sufferers 3 00

WM. RANKIN, Treasurer,  
23 Centre Street, New York.

LETTERS relating to the Missions, or other operations of the Board, may be addressed to the Rev. JOHN C. LOWRIE, Rev. DAVID IRVING, or Rev. FRANK F. ELLINWOOD, Secretaries, Mission House, 23 Centre street, New York.

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## BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*.

Manuscripts, and communications concerning matter offered for publication, to the Rev. JOHN W. DULLES, *Editorial Secretary*.

Correspondence of Colporteurs, remittances of money, and donations, to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage and Treasurer.

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Subscriptions to *The Presbyterian Monthly Record* and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to Mr. PETER WALKER.

## LINKS IN THE CHAIN.

To those who carefully study the workings of the benevolent agencies of the Presbyterian Church, it is gratifying to note their mutual helpfulness. Where one ends, another takes up the chain and carries it forward to completion—where one leaves a gap, another steps in to fill the gap—where all but one combined fail to provide for an emergency, that one comes forward and meets the demand.

This is very observable in the specific mission of the Board of Publication. Vital as are the offices of the other Boards, this Board lends a specific aid, without which all the others leave the church-work incomplete. We need not select from our letters to make this clear. Taking them as they come, they plainly show the value of just such an agency as the Missionary Department of the Board of Publication. For example, here is a letter from

FONTINELLE, NEBRASKA.

“The Jacobus’ Notes, the question books, and the sermons which you kindly sent us, did good service, as we met every Sabbath and used them, until we had the privilege of attending the ministrations of a living under-shepherd. Then we had Sabbath-school every Sabbath, in which *The Visitor*, and *Children’s Praise*, and other helps which you sent, bore an active part in keeping up the interest of the children. We now have regular preaching every two weeks, by the Rev. J. B. Long, of Tekama, and more than that, we have this winter succeeded in erecting a very neat house of worship, neatly finished inside. We received three hundred dollars from our Board of Church Erection, and the rest of the means have been raised in the community around. We are going to hold a festival to-morrow evening, to raise money to pay off what little indebtedness there is on it, and paint and furnish it. We have been greatly blessed in spiritual things, and I think we may truly say, that it has been *largely owing to your kindness* in sending us the first donation of books, for previous to that, there was no meeting of any kind on the Sabbath, and the people had become very remiss in the proper observance of it.”

Here we see the Board of Publication as a pioneer, preparing the ground for Church Erection and Home Missions; and when they are at work, a helper giving efficiency and utility to their contributions to the general cause.

Take the next letter from the Cattaraugus Reservation, from a laborer among

THE INDIANS.

"I trust you will not interpret my delay to acknowledge the receipt of the package of books from your Board to a lack of appreciation of the gift. We were much gratified with the grant. The selection is well adapted to the wants of this community. Our Sabbath-school passed a vote of thanks to the Board of Publication, which I was requested to transmit to you. Since the arrival of the books, a new interest in reading has been awakened, and though this interest is not general, yet the indications are not without encouragement. The need of acquaintance with our religious literature is painfully apparent among these Indians, and your publications are of the right character to meet this want."

To the same effect is the next letter from California, where the Home Missionary is cheered, and his work invigorated by a grant of books.

"JUST WHAT I NEED."

"Your gift of over two hundred volumes to our Sabbath-school library was a great God-send to us. We needed books sorely, but in this dry year we could not raise the means to replenish. It is the first donation I have ever had to one of my Sabbath-schools. The books were just what we needed. Accept from superintendent, teachers, children, and myself, our hearty thanks to you and the Board of Publication which you represent; also, on my own part, accept thanks for the sixty volumes for my own library. A number of the books are just what I need to help me here. Not a few of them I can make preach to those who will not come to hear *me* preach."

NEW MEXICO.

An Indian Agent in New Mexico finds the publications of this Board the artillery that he needs in that distant part of our country. He writes:

"I hereby acknowledge the receipt of fifty volumes received from you as a gift of our Board to the Sabbath-school of this place. I would express to you our hearty and sincere thanks for this valuable gift, which I hope will do something towards bringing light into this fearfully dark territory. I have lately made a trip to Santa Fé, and it is really heart-sickening to see the wickedness and ignorance of the Mexicans, and the ease and rapidity with which nearly all Americans assume the vices of the lower classes. It was, indeed, wise in our General Assembly to give New Mexico, like any heathen country, to the Foreign Board. We are but a few Christians here, but, by the grace of God, we will endeavor to do what little we can for the Redeemer's kingdom."

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COLPORTAGE AND REVIVALS.

Many a pastor has found, by a blessed experience, that the distribution of religious books and tracts among his people tends to warm their hearts and stir up their graces, as well as to lead sinners to the cross of Christ. A colporteur writing from Northern New York says:

"I have not yet been in the service of the Board quite six months, but have distributed a large number of volumes, besides about 14,000 pages of tracts. I have visited upwards of 1700 families, and in about two-thirds of these have held religious conversation and prayer, besides speaking words for the Master at prayer-meetings, in Sabbath-schools, and to many strangers by the wayside. What the result of all this may be, is known only to God. The judgment day alone can reveal the blessings flowing from colportage labor.

"The Presbyterian church at H——, when I visited it last summer, was very weak, and the state of piety very low. I have been most happily surprised on recently visiting the church again, to find an altogether different state of affairs. The house of God was filled from evening to evening. Professing Christians had been made spiritually alive, and even persons who had long hardened their hearts were melted into penitence, and were inquiring, like the Philippian jailor of old, 'What must we do to be saved?' Upwards of twenty had then been hopefully converted, and the good work of grace was still going on. I inquired of the pastor what special means had been used in bringing about this revival. He answered, that so far as any instrumentality was concerned, it was chiefly due to a donation of books and tracts received last spring from the Board of Publication. These, he said, he had scattered from time to time throughout the bounds of his congregation, with the prayer that God would bless them to the good of souls, and God had answered his prayer."

Will not many other ministers follow the example of this good pastor at H——, and secure the same precious results?

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#### THE UNIFORM LESSON QUESTION.

It has been widely stated that all of the leading religious publishing houses had united upon a series of lessons for Sabbath-school study for the year 1872, and it has also been widely said that "one of the most important" of them had not come into the plan—that one being the Presbyterian Board of Publication. Many persons are asking as to the facts in the case, and why the Board does not fall in with the plan.

To such inquiries we would say, that on the call of the Executive Committee of the National Sabbath-school Association, a meeting of the publishers of Lessons for Sabbath-schools was held in New York on August 8th, to consider the possibility of their uniting upon a series of Lessons to be adopted by all, and treated by each in his own way. The gathering was a very agreeable one, and the agreement, as to the pleasantness of the idea, quite general. But as to its practicability, sentiments were widely diverse. After an extended comparison of views, the meeting adjourned, giving to a Committee of Five the authority to agree upon and announce such a series. This Committee consisted of Doctors Newton, Vincent, and Eggleston, and Messrs. McCook and Jacobs.

The majority of the Committee met immediately, (Dr. Newton and Mr. Jacobs not being able to remain,) and, after a full canvass of the subject,



calling also for the counsel of other brethren who were present, agreed unanimously, that no series could be united upon, that was worthy of being presented to the Christian public as the product of their combined wisdom. A report to that effect was adopted and ordered to be published, and was published. At a subsequent meeting, however, when Mr. Jacobs (representing the Baptist interest) was present, this decision was reversed, and a series was agreed upon and announced as "The Uniform Series for 1872."

Now, why does not the Presbyterian Board of Publication fall in with this plan?

At the meeting of August 8th it was stated to the brethren, at the outset, that the Presbyterian Board had already committed itself to a course of Bible study—to a *curriculum* of scriptural instruction intended to cover the ground over which our children and youth should go, in a term of seven or eight years; that it had engaged the services of Mr. McCook for the preparation of the lessons for 1872; that he had prepared a large part of the lessons, and that they were already partly stereotyped:—in short, that, however pleasant it would be, the Board could not withdraw from the plan for *systematic scripture instruction* upon which it had entered. If the brethren could go with the Presbyterian Board in study, very well. If not, duty must not be sacrificed to a sentiment, however attractive and beautiful it might be. Neither Dr. Vincent, representing the Berean series of the Methodist Sunday-school Union, nor Dr. Eggleston, representing the Chicago National Series, favored the movement.

In the Committee, at its first meeting, a compromise was proposed—to take thirteen lessons from this series, thirteen from that, and so to make out a set which would not require either publisher to go over ground just studied. Those who represented the interests of the Presbyterian system positively refused to present to the churches of the Presbyterian body any such jumble of studies as this. It was simply out of the question. In this judgment Messrs. Vincent and Eggleston concurred, and hence the agreement at that time on a report against the practicability of the plan.

It is conceded by some of the most eminent of the brethren who have come into this arrangement, that it is one of questionable wisdom, and experimental in their adoption of it. Should all the pastors of all denominations agree upon a series of texts upon which to preach each Sabbath in the year, it would be a delightful thought that at one and the same hour so many Christians were devoutly meditating on the same truth. Pastors of different denominations could meet for the study of the subject; the religious papers could give them hints and reflections; and noon-day prayer-meetings could be made to bear upon these "Uniform Sermons." All very delightful, but it would not work.

So with our Sabbath-school study. The idea of uniformity all over the land is beautiful, but it will not work. In fact, even in a single denomination the schools cannot be forced or induced to unite in the study of the same lessons, Sabbath by Sabbath, the year through. We may give them a most admirable Westminster Series for 1872, and we shall do so. But here is a school that started with the series for 1871 on February 1st, another began

it on March 1st, and so on all through the year. When these schools complete series one and two (1871) they will begin series three (1872), and it is best that they should do so. Of those that commenced the first series with January 1871, some will complete the fifty-two lessons with the year, but very many will not. Other schools again will prefer to use the Question Books of Dr. Jacobus, on particular books of the Bible, published by the Board. Let each school go forward steadily, pursuing a methodical course of study, and it will do best in the long run. At least, so we think. As for the union of teachers of different denominations in meetings for study, whilst it has much that is attractive in it, and is not devoid of advantages, yet far better will it be for each church to have *its own teachers' meeting*, and to concentrate its efforts upon the development of its own working, praying, and teaching ability.

It has seemed due to inquirers, that thus much should be said in response to the question, "Why does not the Presbyterian Board come into the Uniform Lesson Series Plan?"

DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE MISSIONARY FUND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, SINCE LAST ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —		<i>Pby of Newark</i> —High St ch	32 00
Conklingville ch and Sab-sch	\$5 00	<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Princeton 2d ch	9 65
Day Centre Sab-sch	1 70	<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —St Georges ch	31 50
Albany 1st ch	63 00	Christiana ch	9 03
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Healdsburg ch	4 75	<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Paola ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Centre ville ch	13 00	<i>Pby of New York</i> —West Chester ch	132 05
<i>Pby of Boston</i> —Windham W H ch	6 00	Muncy Hill ch	36 25
<i>Pby of Cairo</i> —Shawneetown ch	23 70	<i>Pby of North River</i> —Cornwall ch	32 82
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Carlisle 1st ch	72 55	<i>Pby of Oregon</i> —Jackson Co ch Sab-sch	22 00
Landisburg ch	2 50	<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Memphis, Mo, 1st ch	3 00
Petersburg ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —	
<i>Pby of Cayuga</i> —Auburn 2d ch	24 09	Central ch, Memorial	110 00
<i>Pby of Cedar Rapids</i> —		<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Pittsburgh 3d ch	374 28
Central ch, Schellsburg	2 00	<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Mt Morris 1st ch	27 52
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<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Great Valley ch	10 00	<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Skaneateles ch	30 00
Penningtonville ch	2 00	<i>Pby of Louis</i> —German Bethel ch	3 00
Fager's Manor ch	22 25	German 1st ch	15 00
Coatesville ch	30 03	Choteau Av ch	27 00
<i>Pby of Claron</i> —Emlenton ch	4 75	<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Red Wing 1st ch	6 15
<i>Pby of Columbia</i> —Sab-sch of Hunter ch	15 00	Oak Grove ch	7 50
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Circleville 1st ch	30 15	<i>Pby of Topeka</i> —Wamego ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordville</i> —Lafayette 1st ch	8 79	<i>Pby of Transylvania</i> —Danville ch	50 00
<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —College Corner ch	5 00	Paint Lick ch	26 19
Springfield ch	17 60	Harmony ch	6 00
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Dubuque, Ger 1st ch	6 60	<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Washington 4th ch	15 43
<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Paris ch	5 35	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Washington 1st ch	43 54
Sharpsburg ch	16 45	Holidays ch	10 00
Falmouth ch	6 00	Three Springs ch	5 00
Crittenden ch	12 35	Wheeling 1st ch	28 70
Augusta ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Baraboo ch	12 80
Moorfield ch	12 45	<i>Pby of Yaden</i> —	
Concord ch	3 00	Lexington ch, Rev J A Chresfield	3 00
Carlisle ch	9 00	Lexington ch Sab-sch	2 00
Bethel ch	8 75	Statesville ch Sab-sch	1 75
<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Plainfield ch	17 00		
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Princeton ch	5 00		
<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Angelica ch	10 00		
<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Canoga ch	5 00		
<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Washington ch	60		
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Goshen ch	23 01		
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Hollidaysburg ch	14 02		
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Jersey City 2d ch	30 75		
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Eldersridge ch	8 00		
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Hokendauqua ch	12 00		
<i>Pby of Missouri River</i> —Bedford ch	3 50		

MISCELLANEOUS.

W P Ambler, Philadelphia, Mem offering	25 00
Simon Derr, Pottsville	4 50
Andrew Dowley, Princeton	1 90
Com C K Stribling, U S N	100 00
J M Sutton, Plumbville, Pa	4 36
Rev T W Cattell, Merchantsville, N J	24 80
Rev A H Porter, Niagara, N Y	25 00

\$1,933 64

WINTHROP SARGENT *Treasurer.*

## BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

*Corresponding Secretary*, REV. H. R. WILSON, D.D., 30 Vesey Street, New York.  
*Treasurer*, NATHAN LANE, Esq., 69 Wall Street, New York.

It is always our duty (though sometimes a painful one) to correct erroneous impressions when we find them. Judging from the number of applications received at our office lately, and the amount of aid asked for, it is obvious that we are supposed to have a full and overflowing treasury. Would that it were so. What sincere pleasure it would afford us to supply the wants of the needy, and what joy we should impart to many whose hearts are now sad, because they are not able to build up the walls of their Jerusalem. But far otherwise is the fact. Our treasury, from which so many have received aid, is empty—every dollar which it contained has been appropriated, and our pledges have gone far beyond our means, so that if called upon to make payment to-day, we could not honor such drafts.

Another false impression is, that the recent disasters and heavy losses in the Northwest have not affected our Board. Many applying to us for *additional* aid, base their plea upon the fact, that since the fire in Chicago they are unable to raise among themselves what they had subscribed, as “money is so scarce.” Now, does it never occur to such, that from the same cause *our* means have been cut off as *theirs*? Nay, our Boards suffer more than most other associations, and the Board of Church Erection more than any other, for the people reason thus: “Our missionaries and their families must not be suffered to starve, but church building may be suspended, at least for a while, without any great injury.” Thus our work is not only retarded, but great loss is sustained, for it must be remembered that much of the local subscription is based upon the condition that the whole amount required be raised and the building completed by a given time. In almost every case where the building is postponed, a large amount of the subscription is lost. Many of these applicants say, “Five hundred dollars from your Board now, will be better to us than one thousand dollars next year, or a few months hence.” Some of these needy churches, in order to carry on their building towards completion, are obliged to borrow money at from ten to fifteen per cent. interest. All this might be saved if we could aid them at once. We would therefore earnestly call upon all who have the means, to help us to redeem our pledge, and afford aid to those who have done all they can to help themselves, but have failed to complete their buildings. Winter will soon be upon them, and if left shelterless, they must lose much strength which would assuredly be gained, if by the completion of their houses larger congregations were gathered. If in this they fail, the consequence must be that some of these missionaries must abandon their fields of labor. The question is often aptly asked, “Why are there so few settled *Pastors* and so large a proportion of *Stated Supplies* among our Home Missionaries?” The reason of this mournful evil is, that so many of these feeble churches (over 600) have *no houses of worship*, and consequently small congregations, who can do but little for their support. They are soon starved out and are compelled to leave. Give us the means to aid these feeble churches to build sanctuaries, and soon we shall have *settled Pastors* over *self-sustaining churches*.

It is strange that some of our contributing churches have not yet learned that the Board of Church Erection, (the only Board of our Church for this purpose,) is located in the city of New York. Contributions intended for us are sent by many of our churches at the East, to St. Louis. Nathan Lane, Esq., No. 69 Wall



street, New York, is Treasurer of the Board, and will be very glad to receive your prompt and liberal offerings.

### DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, OCTOBER 1871.

<b>SYNOD OF ALBANY.—Pby of Albany—</b>			<b>SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—Pby of Elizabeth—</b>		
Johnstown ch	34	74	Elizabeth 1st ch	33	47
Princeton ch	16	50	Elizabeth 3d ch	68	16
<b>SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—Pby of Washington City—</b>			Liberty Corners ch	13	00
Clifton ch	20	00	Plainfield 1st ch	24	20
<b>SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—Pby of Chillicothe—</b>			Rahway 1st ch	44	50
North Fork ch	9	06	Ro-selle 1st ch	50	00
Pby of Dayton—College Corner ch	5	00	Pby of Monmouth—Bordentown ch	6	25
Springfield 1st ch	50	00	Cream Ridge ch	10	00
<b>SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—Pby of Cleveland—</b>			Hightstown ch	28	00
Northfield ch	9	00	Plumsteadville ch	1	00
Pby of Mahoning—Massillon ch	15	00	Pby of Morris and Orange—Madison ch	104	45
Warren ch	30	00	Orange 1st ch	150	00
Pby of St Clairsville—Farmington ch	3	00	<b>Pby of Newark—</b>		
Mt Pleasant ch	18	00	Bloomfield, Westminster ch	41	40
Pby of Steubenville—Pleasant Hill ch	4	50	Pby of New Brunswick—Pennington ch	80	00
<b>SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—Pby of Columbus—</b>			Princeton 2d ch	14	00
Loudon ch	7	00	Trenton 1st ch, add'l	140	00
Pby of Marion—Marion 1st ch	15	00	Pby of Newton—Greenwich ch	27	00
Pby of Zanesville—Zanesville 2d ch	31	02	Hackettstown ch Sab-sch, special	500	00
<b>SYNOD OF ERIE.—Pby of Allegheny—</b>			Pby of West Jersey—Atco 1st ch	6	31
Freedom ch	5	85	Blackwoodtown ch	35	75
Pine Creek ch	13	25	<b>SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—Pby of Hudson—</b>		
Pby of Butler—Clintonville ch	6	00	Liberty ch	10	00
Pby of Clarion—Academia ch	5	25	Mt Hope ch	8	00
Emlenton ch	5	00	Owego 1st ch	51	00
Pby of Erie—Georgetown ch	10	00	<b>Pby of New York—</b>		
Mercer 2d ch	10	00	New York City 1st ch	5,551	68
North East ch	28	00	Pby of North River—Milton ch	30	00
Pby of Kittanning—Eldersridge ch	12	19	Newburgh 1st ch	105	00
West Lebanon ch	13	50	Pby of West Chester—Gilead ch	20	00
<b>SYNOD OF GENEVA.—Pby of Steuben—</b>			Peekskill 1st ch	47	05
Arkport ch	4	00	South Salem ch	51	00
<b>SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—Pby of Carlisle—</b>			White Plains ch	6	60
Harrisburg, Pine St ch	150	48	<b>SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—Pby of Oregon—</b>		
Landisburg ch	4	00	Eugene City ch	7	00
Upper Path Valley ch	27	00	<b>SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—Pby of Chester—</b>		
Pby of Huntingdon—Altoona 2d ch	45	72	Fagg's Manor ch	32	30
Holidaysburg ch	15	32	Great Valley ch	15	00
Sinking Valley ch, add'l	10	00	Penningtonville ch	3	00
Pby of Wellsboro—Ulysses ch	2	00	Pby of Lackawanna—Dunmore ch	10	00
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—Pby of Peoria—</b>			Pby of Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3d ch	63	25
French Grove ch	5	00	Pby of Philadelphia, North—		
Lewistown ch	37	73	Conshohocken ch	7	00
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—Pby of Chicago—</b>			Pby of Westminster—Slateridge ch	19	16
Kankakee ch	12	75	<b>SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—Pby of Blairsville—</b>		
Pby of Freeport—Belvidere ch	28	50	Black Lick ch	6	50
Pby of Ottawa—Ottawa ch	4	50	Pby of Pittsburgh—Monongahela City ch	23	45
<b>SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—Pby of Alton—</b>			Pittsburgh 1st ch	195	12
Salem, German ch	14	25	Pby of Redstone—Pleasant Unity ch	22	90
Pby of Mattoon—Kansas ch	13	50	Pby of Washington—Burgettstown ch	31	00
<b>SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH—</b>			Washington 1st ch	40	55
Pby of Crawfordsville—			West Liberty ch	7	00
Lafayette 2d ch	22	47	<b>SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—Pby of Huron—</b>		
Pby of Fort Wayne—Bluffton ch	7	00	Fostoria ch	8	50
New Lancaster ch	3	00	Sandusky ch	9	00
Pby of Logansport—Valparaiso ch	17	00	<b>SYNOD OF UTAH.—Pby of Binghamton—</b>		
Pby of Muncie—Perrysburg ch	2	85	East Guilford ch	6	00
Shiloh ch	2	85	Pby of Otsego—Delhi 2d ch	34	72
<b>SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—Pby of Vincennes—</b>			Pby of Syracuse—Manlius, Trinity ch	11	00
Carlisle ch	5	05	Pby of Utica—Little Falls ch	20	00
Pby of White Water—Union ch	10	00	<b>SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—</b>		
<b>SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—Pby of Cedar Rapids—</b>			Pby of Genesee Valley—Franklinville ch	16	00
Union ch	4	40	Pby of Rochester—Clarkson ch	5	00
Yankee Grove ch	1	80	Lima ch	32	25
<b>SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—Pby of Des Moines—</b>			Rochester 3d ch	46	14
Osceola ch, Ladies' Miss'y Soc'y	8	00	Tuscarora and Union Corners ch	7	00
Pby of Iowa—Troy ch	4	50	<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
Pby of Missouri River—Omaha 2d ch	20	00	<b>SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—Pby of St Louis—</b>		
<b>SYNOD OF KANSAS.—Pby of Highland—</b>			St Louis, German ch, proceeds of fes-		
Washington 1st ch	1	25	tival	15	00
<b>SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—Pby of Detroit—</b>			J M Ham, N Y City, special	5	00
Detroit, Jefferson Ave ch	236	00	Rev C J Collins, Wilkesbarre, Pa	5	00
Pby of Grand Rapids—Portland ch	5	60	"Special," for Warrensburg, Mo	1	00
Pby of Kalamazoo—Constantine ch	8	00	Rev T S Childs, Hartford, Conn	10	00
Pby of Lansing—Marshall ch	41	41	W S Skidmore, N Y City	50	00
Pby of Saginaw—Woodhull ch	2	70	Rev Wm F Millikan, Lenox, Ohio	15	00
<b>SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—Pby of Mankato—</b>			Interest on mortgages	225	17
Blue Earth City ch	17	40	<b>Total for October</b>		<b>\$9,601 52</b>
<b>SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—Pby of St Louis—</b>			<b>NATHAN LANE Treasurer.</b>		
Webster Groves ch, special	45	00			

# RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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## CONTRIBUTIONS IN OCTOBER 1871.

## SYNOD OF ALBANY.—

*Pby of Albany*—Albany 1st ch 63; Amsterdam  
1st ch 19 82 00  
*Pby of Champlain*—Plattsburg 1st ch 15 00  
*Pby of Troy*—Pittstown ch 7; Johnsonville ch  
7 14 00

## SYNOD OF ATLANTIC.—

*Pby of Atlantic*—Edisto ch 2 75; Wadmalaw,  
Salem ch 3 5 75

## SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—

*Pby of Baltimore*—Taneytown ch 17 50; Frank-  
linville ch 5; Washington 4th ch 116 02

138 52  
*Pby of New Castle*—New Castle ch 77; Lower  
Brandywine ch 15 27 92 27

*Pby of Washington City*—Alexandria 1st ch  
1 50; Manassas ch 2 50; Prince Wm Co 1st  
ch 2 50 6 50

## SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—

From Synod of Cincinnati, per Rev A Ritchie,  
Treasurer 83 32

*Pby of Chillicothe*—South Salem ch 13 80  
*Pby of Cincinnati*—Delhi ch 6 13; Avondale ch  
43; Lockland and Reading ch 12; Spring-  
dale ch 27; Lane Seminary, add'l 16 50;

Loveland ch 19 15; Glendale ch 70 91 213 49  
*Pby of Dayton*—College Corner Mission ch 5 00

## SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—

*Pby of Cleveland*—Cleveland, Euclid St ch  
84 31; Bedford ch 2; Northfield ch 5 91 31

*Pby of Mahoning*—Youngstown ch 73 50  
*Pby of St Clairsville*—Martinsville ch 21 50;

Crab Apple ch 13; Bellsville ch 6; Sport  
Creek ch 7; York ch 6; Powhatan ch 4; Mor-  
ristown ch 10 90 67 50

*Pby of Steubenville*—Oak Ridge ch 16 30; New  
Cumberland ch 6; Canonsburg ch 7; Corinth  
ch 19; Wellsville ch 20 68 30

## SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—

*Pby of Columbus*—Lithopolis ch 9 50; Dublin  
ch 7 50; London ch 7 24 00

*Pby of Marion*—Mt Gilead ch 25 60; Chester-  
ville ch 5; Iberia ch 5 35 63

*Pby of Wooster*—Savannah ch 31; Jeromeville  
ch 5; Jackson ch 22 50; Congress ch 7 63

66 13  
*Pby of Zanesville*—West Carlisle ch 17; Union-  
town ch 2; Clark ch 14 33 00

## SYNOD OF ERIE.—

*Pby of Allegheny*—Allegheny, North ch 77;  
Industry ch 3 15; Concord ch 5; Highland  
ch 11 15; Pine Creek ch 9 73; Sharpsburg  
ch 23 129 08

*Pby of Butler*—Zelienople ch 5; Centreville ch  
12; Scrub Grass ch 25; Pleasant Valley ch  
6 55 48 55

*Pby of Clarion*—Perry ch 5; Emlenton ch 10  
15 00

*Pby of Erie*—Pleasantville ch 36 75; Mercer 2d  
ch 8 50; Georgetown ch 12 57 25

*Pby of Kittanning*—Slate Lick ch 11 30; Brady's  
Bend ch 19; Freeport ch 26 80; Eldersridge  
ch 12; West Lebanon ch 10 50; Worthington  
ch 16; West Glade Run ch 10 105 60

*Pby of Shenango*—Westfield ch 23 39; Pulaski  
ch 9 35; Hopewell ch 3 50 36 24

## SYNOD OF GENEVA.—

*Pby of Cayuga*—Meridian ch 10; Sennett ch  
9 14 19 14

*Pby of Geneva*—Geneva 1st ch 52 18; Canoga  
ch 10 62 18

## SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—

*Pby of Carlisle*—Upper Path Valley ch 30;  
Green Castle ch 33; Shippensburg ch 14 40;  
Harrisburg 7th St ch 25; Landisburg ch 5 50

107 90  
*Pby of Huntingdon*—Sinking Valley ch 10;  
Shaver's Creek ch 5 75; Bethel ch 11 25;

Clearfield ch 32 62; Milesburg ch 11 07;  
From a "Maryland lady" 3; Clearfield, Rev  
H S Butler and wife 15 88 69

*Pby of Northumberland*—Chilisquaue ch 15 95;  
Mooresburg ch 4 45 20 40

## SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—

*Pby of Bloomington*—Towanda ch 9; Sab-School  
3; Heyworth ch 11 23 00

*Pby of Peoria*—Ipava ch 17; Southampton,  
Prospect ch 14 40; Peoria 2d ch 30 45; Wash-  
ington ch 10 10 71 95

*Pby of Schuyler*—Monmouth 1st ch 46 25; Mt  
Sterling ch 4; Quincy 1st ch 106 10; "A  
friend" 1 45; Mt Pleasant 1 55 159 35

## SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—

*Pby of Freeport*—Freeport 1st ch 13 20  
*Pby of Ottawa*—Wyoming ch 5 50; Earlville  
ch 6 11 50

*Pby of Rock River*—Andover ch 3 25; Aledo  
ch 5; Millersburg ch 7 30 15 55

## SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—

*Pby of Cairo*—Golconda ch 3; Tamaroa ch  
10 25 13 25

## SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—

*Pby of Crawfordsville*—Darlington ch 4 70;  
Bethel ch 4 35; Dover ch 3; Jefferson ch 2;

Newton ch 8 50; Rob Roy ch 4 50 22 05  
*Pby of Fort Wayne*—Fort Wayne 1st ch 136 25;  
Waterloo City ch 11 147 25

*Pby of Logansport*—La Porte 1st ch 5 00  
*Pby of Muncie*—Peru 1st ch 22; Anderson ch  
14 50 36 50

## SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—

*Pby of Indianapolis*—Indianapolis 5th ch 10;  
Carpentersville ch 3 60 13 60

*Pby of New Albany*—Jeffersonville ch 55 70  
*Pby of Vincennes*—Vincennes 2d ch 16 50;

Claiborne ch 11; Howesville ch 4 31 50  
*Pby of White Water*—Rising Sun ch 19; Dun-  
lapville ch 6 25 00

## SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.—

*Pby of Cedar Rapids*—Pleasant Hill ch 6 30;  
Springfield ch 1 94; Marion ch 17 60; Shells-  
burgh ch 2 60 28 44

*Pby of Dubuque*—Byron Centre ch 2 30; Lib-  
erty ch 3 20 5 50

*Pby of Waterloo*—Marshalltown 1st ch 18 50

## SYNOD OF IOWA, SOUTH.—

*Pby of Des Moines*—Osceola ch 3 00  
*Pby of Iowa City*—Red Oak ch 8; Tipton ch  
8; Sab-school 5 70 21 70

*Pby of Missouri River*—Plattsmouth ch 8 30;  
Clarinda ch 6 45 14 75

## SYNOD OF KANSAS.—

*Pby of Highland*—Washington ch 60  
*Pby of Neosho*—Geneva ch 3 00

## SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—

*Pby of Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st ch 157 73;  
Brooklyn, Throop Ave ch 27 70; Brooklyn  
2d ch 45 49 230 92

*Pby of Long Island*—Middletown ch 19 36;  
Amagansette ch 4 66 24 02

*Pby of Nassau*—Huntington 1st ch 47 18



## SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.—

<i>Pby of Detroit</i> —Stony Creek ch 17 86; Ann Arbor ch 68 30	86 16
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Woodhull ch 4; Irving ch 5	9 00

## SYNOD OF MINNESOTA.—

<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Minneapolis, Westminster ch 70 06; Sab-school 18 12; Shakopee ch 7 20; St Anthony ch 5 65	102 03
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## SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—

<i>Pby of Osage</i> —Kansas City 3d ch	5 65
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Irondale 1st ch	5 00
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Kirkwood ch 35; Mission of 1st German ch 10; German 1st ch 8 50; St Louis, Chouteau Ave ch 17	70 50

## SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—

<i>Pby of Elizabeth</i> —Springfield ch 30 51; Lamington ch 47; Plainfield 2d ch 72 23	149 74
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —Jersey City 2d ch	27 08
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Blackwoodtown ch 28 60; Salem ch 55; Gloucester ch 4 25; Absecon ch 3; Somers's Point ch 1 75; Leed's Point ch 25 cents	92 85
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —Newark, 3d ch 23 36; Wickliffe ch 18 15	41 50
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Princeton 1st ch 63 96; New Brunswick 1st ch 68 41; Trenton 4th ch, including 5 from Mrs J S Young, for Memorial Fund 123; Princeton 2d ch 25 80; Lambertville 1st ch 52; Pennington ch 80; Trenton 2d ch, add'l 3; Amwell United ch 15; Kingstons ch 36; Eng Amwell 1st ch 13	430 17

## SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—

<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Mount Hope ch 10; Liberty, 1st ch 5 75	15 75
<i>Pby of New York</i> —New York City, Rutgers ch 363 48; New York City, Forty-second St ch 73 50; New York, Phillips ch 39 80	476 78
<i>Pby of North River</i> —New Hamburg ch 17 29; Marlborough ch 14	31 29
<i>Pby of Westchester</i> —Peekskill ch 44 79; South East Centre ch 27 46	72 25

## SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—

<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Great Valley ch 16; Penningtonville ch 3; Fagg's Manor ch 25; West Chester, 1st ch 24 20	68 20
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Warren ch 4 10; Dunmore ch 8; Canton ch 7; Meshoppen ch 6; Mehopy Creek ch 4	29 10
<i>Pby of Lehigh</i> —Stroudsburg ch 15; Slatington ch 23; Eckley ch 14; Upper Lehigh ch 12	66 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Philadelphia, South ch 31 67; West Spruce St ch 286 63	318 30
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, Central</i> —Philadelphia, Princeton ch 166 05; Green Hill ch 42; Cohocksink ch 116 96; North Broad St ch 148 45; Kensington 1st ch 22 70; A member of Alexander ch 5; Northern Liberties, 1st ch 59; Mrs Dornan, Kensington ch 5 556 16	
<i>Pby of Philadelphia, North</i> —Conshohocken ch 7; Philadelphia, Tioga St ch 100	107 00
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Slate Ridge ch	18 00

## SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—

<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Black Lick ch 6; Ligonier ch 14; Pleasant Grove ch 13 10	33 10
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Bellefield ch 35 81; Monongahela City ch 27 15; Pittsburgh, 3d ch 234; Pittsburgh, 6th ch 47 22; Sharon ch 13 53; Wilkinsburg ch 46 61; Mingo ch 41 65; Mt Pisgah ch 10; Forest Grove ch 22; Miller's Run ch 15 50; Raceoon ch 41 70; Hebron ch 8 36	543 53
<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Mt Pleasant ch 28 88; Pleasant Unity ch 8 50; Dunlap's Creek ch 14; McClellandtown ch 9 20; George's Creek ch 8; Laurel Hill ch 20 25	88 83
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Mt Prospect ch 16 00; Burgettstown ch 19; Washington 1st ch 49 10	85 10
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —French Creek ch	9 00

## SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.—

<i>Pby of New Orleans</i> —New Orleans, German 2d ch	6 00
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## SYNOD OF TOLEDO.—

<i>Pby of Bellefontaine</i> —Patterson ch 3; Bellefontaine ch 5; West Liberty ch 8 75	16 75
<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Milan ch 20; Monroeville ch 10	30 00
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Union ch	5 00

## SYNOD OF UTAH.—

<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Binghamton, North ch 8 19; McGrawville ch 20 20; Marathon ch 8 50	36 89
<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Watertown ch	65 00
<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Syracuse, First Ward ch	43 16

## SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.—

<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —South Wales ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Genesee Valley</i> —Burns ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Lima ch 23 50; Rochester Central ch 59 20; Parma Centre ch 5; Rochester, 3d ch 45 74; Marcellus ch 20	57 44

## SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—

<i>Pby of Lake Superior</i> —Oconto ch	9 67
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Milwaukee, Immanuel ch 80; Janesville ch 22 45	102 45
<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Horicon ch 8; Winneconne ch 5; Rev G W Lloyd, pastor 3	16 00
<i>Pby of Wisconsin River</i> —Poynette ch 11 35; Lowville ch 5 65	17 00

The following omitted to mention Presbyteries or Synods.

Ill, Carthage ch	\$12 00
Pa. Strasburg ch	12 00
Geo. Atlanta, "Miss S R S"	5 00
Pa. Barclay ch	7 25
N J, Flemington ch	68 85
Ohio, Bryan ch	10 00
Pa. Yellow Creek ch	12 10
Pa. Wilkesbarre, Rev C J Collins	10 00
N J, Tom's River ch	12 74
Neb. Nebraska City ch	17 18
Pa. Tyrone ch	19 62
Ohio, Circleville, Central ch	26 40
N J, Mendham 1st ch	34 88
Iowa, Winterset 1st ch	9 35
N J, Pitts Grove, "E L A"	1 00
Pa. McVeytown, ch	32 50
N J, Liberty Corner, Rev J T English	9 00
N J, Orange 1st ch	110 00
N Y, Pike 1st ch	8 81
Pa. Peru ch	7 85
Pa. Butler ch	46 92
Pa. Jefferson, Summit ch	4 58
Ill, Rock Island ch	21 95
"A minister's friend"	1 00
Ind, Indianapolis 1st ch	61 95
Ill, Union Grove ch	5 00
Mich, East Bay ch	5 09
Ohio, Canal Fulton ch	8 10
Pa, West Newton 1st ch	22 00
N Y, Elmira 1st ch	30 00
N Y, Elmira Sab-sch	10 00
N Y, Delhi 2d ch	27 52
Ohio, Ironton, Mrs Dr Willson, thank-offering	10 00
Ohio, Martinsburg ch	6 35
Ohio, Liberty ch	6 00
Ohio, Findlay 1st ch	75 67
Commodore C K Stribling, U S Navy	100 00
Mich, Marshall 1st ch	37 39
Ohio, Marshallville ch	4 52
N Y, Orden, Centre ch	15 00
Ind, Valparaiso, Mrs M E Brown	5 00
Ohio, Dick's Creek ch	12 00
Pa. Milroy ch	20 00
Ind, Lafayette 1st ch	10 00
N Y, Gouverneur 1st ch	18 00
Interest on Permanent Fund	487 92

Total receipts in October, \$8,437 77

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## FIRST SABBATH IN DECEMBER.

The schedule for collections by our Church, as published with the Minutes of our last General Assembly, names "the first Lord's day in December" for "Freedmen"; and as the day is at hand, we would stir up the mind of the Church "by way of remembrance."

THE WORK is parochial—church and school united—religious and intellectual culture combined, and in it are employed preachers, catechists, and teachers. In its last Annual, the Committee reports 36 ministers, 23 catechists, and 58 teachers—in all, 117 missionaries: 97 churches containing 7,688 communicants, of whom 1,007 were added on examination during the year; 6,220 scholars in Sabbath, and 4,530 in day-schools, Biddle Memorial Institute for training colored preachers, catechists, and teachers, Scotia Seminary for colored girls, and Wallingford Academy, besides other schools in advance of those known as "common."

ITS SUCCESS in the educational department is remarkable. The pupils are eager to learn, and manifest that, given the same advantages, the children of those who were slaves but yesterday learn as fast at least as do the white children of the North.

In Church-work the success is even more remarkable, the number organized being limited only by lack of means to support laborers, while figures show, so far as figures can, that in hopeful conversion of souls, the success of our Church's work among the Freedmen is very nearly *twice as great* as in all her other fields combined. As stated lately, the additions on examination last year make an average of 10 and a fraction to each of her churches among the former, and but 5 and a fraction to each in the latter.

ITS FAILURE TO RECEIVE NEEDED AID.—This has not been, alone, lack of means to enlarge the work. The present Committee, at its organization in June 1870, found the work burdened with a debt of over \$15,000, besides that upon educational institutions, and this without the offer of any special effort to liquidate. The General Assembly of that year passed, that "each Presbytery be required to appoint a Committee of one, whose duty it shall be, by correspondence or otherwise, to see that this cause is brought before each church for its generous contribution."

Our Committee followed this with statements of its wants, appeals for help, and urgent efforts to secure funds, and yet but 1,237 out of 4,616, less than one-third of our churches, reported any collection whatever for this work, and we were obliged to close the year with the indebtedness but partially removed, and so forbidding still enlargement of the work.

Our last General Assembly, without dissenting voice, "urgently" commended the Committee, and its "work and institutions, to the prompt and large liberality of all our churches and people;" but the six months of the year now passed show little or no increase of liberality in this behalf, and the Committee is left not only burdened still by the remainder of debt, but obliged also to meet the current expenses of the work by borrowing, while *Biddle Memorial Institute* greatly needs endowment, scholarships, a dormitory, furniture, and other material aid; and *Scotia Seminary* likewise, building and endowment funds, scholarships, furniture, and clothing for pupils.

LABORERS.—The preachers are diligent, and in the larger fields greatly need additional help in their work. The catechists, whose work, under direction of the pastor, is to hold religious meetings, conduct Sabbath-schools, and visit from house to house, are very useful. The teachers employed, as a rule, only on certificate of their being members of the Presbyterian Church and qualified for the position, feel that their work is *religious* as well as educational; and with the Bible, the Catechism, and prayer, added to ordinary school instruction, who may estimate their power for good, under God, upon the thousands of scholars, who in day and Sabbath-schools, are being constantly brought under their influence!

Then, by all the love we should cherish for our country, in which these millions of unlettered people possess the elective franchise; by all the love we should cherish towards what remain of the fourteen thousand colored Presbyterians of the South, and their descendants; by all the love we should bear to a work owned and blessed of God with such signal success; and by all the love we should bear to Him who gave in evidence of his divine commission, "The poor have the gospel preached to them," we entreat that this year shall witness, in behalf of our work among the lowly, that "prompt and large liberality of all our churches and people" to which our late Assembly urges. Shall these "poor of the flock" look up and not be fed? "BLESSED IS HE THAT REMEMBERETH THE POOR."

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## SUSTENTATION COMMITTEE.

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The Sustentation Scheme helps those who help themselves. It requires a *minimum average* of contribution from the membership, as a condition of aid; and thus provides that, by a fair increase of members, the church thus fulfilling the average will be self-sustaining speedily, and so fall out of the scheme. It provides also a training for the membership *in systematic contribution to all the Boards of the Church*, in which each and all the members shall have the opportunity of stated giving to the Assembly's schemes. It requires the *full pastoral relation* instead of the anomalous *stated supply*—and the *full pastor* instead of the *pastor only in part*. And it lends a hand to churches who show good evidence of vigor and of soon becoming self-sustaining. The scheme will economize the working force of our ministry; will exalt the pastorate to its proper place in our Church; will help to fix the sacred relation of pastor and people; will encourage such normal and well-equipped churches, by aiding them to maintain the pastor, who could not otherwise “*settle*” among them. And thus the stability and thrift of our Church in all the land will be promoted. But the stronger churches, who do not need this aid, are in danger of neglecting their duty to the weak. The scheme of the General Assembly directs that all the churches shall promptly set on foot a system of stated giving, by envelope or collector, so as to reach every stated worshipper. And it calls upon *the pastors* to so consider the case of their needy brethren in the pastorate, as to undertake the raising of an amount for this object *equal to a twentieth, at least*, and rather *a tenth* of their salaries. Many of the pastors responded favorably to our circular on this subject, and we beg them promptly to forward to us such amounts as they can raise. The applications increase. The only hope of many churches is in this scheme, and they are doubly blessed by *being helped to help themselves*.

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RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER, 1871.

Collection, Central ch Pittsburgh	\$93 68	Ch of Chillicothe, Mo	30 00
First ch Harvard, Ill	25 00	Ch of Knowlton, N J	5 00
Ch Pendleton and Wheatfield, N Y	27 50	Ch of Angelica, N Y	5 00
Ch of Somonauk, Ill	35 00	First ch Bellefonte, Pa	200 00
Ch of Newtown, L I	41 00	Second ch Auburn, N Y	25 25
Jno Weir of Harrisburgh	100 00	Ch of Lebanon, Ill	25 00
Ch of Lodi, Wis	28 12		
Ch of Earlville, Ill	30 00		
First ch Yates City, Ill	40 00		
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